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TROOPS MARCHED TO FRONTIER FRANCE PREPARING FOR EMERGENCY CONCENTRATION STARTS AT BORDER FRONTS

Paris, Mar. 21.

After telling the Army Commission of the Chamber-of-Deputies that the German Army would shortly number 720,000 men, General Louis Maurin, Minister for War, and veteran member of the Higher Council of War, announced to-day that French troops were being moved to the frontier.

According to a member of the Army Commission, General Maurin stated that French contingents had been brought up to occupy the principal strategic points along the frontier and to man the forts in the defence system.

These contingents, said the War Minister, were drawn partly from garrisons in the interior and partly from "other frontiers where the watch is no longer as necessary as formerly, owing to the international situation and agreements with neighbouring powers."

—*Reuter*.
Rome, March 21.
Italy has extended the term of military service for her Army, thereby increasing the number of men under arms to 500,000 with the calling of the new draft.—*United Press*.

GERMANY TO BE INVITED?

London, March 21.
Sir John Simon, the Foreign Minister, to-day intimated in the House of Commons that Germany may be invited to attend the conference of British, French and Italian spokesmen in Paris, following the British Ministers' visits to Berlin, Warsaw and Moscow.—*United Press*.

COMMONS DEBATE

London, Mar. 21.
The forthcoming ministerial conversations in Berlin and elsewhere were the subject of a brief and restrained debate in the House of Commons to-day.

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. George Lansbury, in opening, said the events in Germany during the week-end had caused a shock and a feeling akin to despair, almost comparable with what happened in 1914. The nations of Europe should be made to understand that the British Government's policy was peace, based not on rearmament, but on disarmament.

The Liberal leader, Sir Herbert Samuel, said that in describing the effect on the minds of the British people by the German declaration, Mr. Lansbury had in no degree used language of exaggeration.

FOUR POINTS

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, said he hoped to have frank discussions with the German Chancellor, for the visit called for complete frankness, and a discussion of a sort that could not be preceded by a public rehearsal. The series of visits would be exploratory in character. He recalled the terms of the London declaration of February 3, the tone of which was recognised by Germany as fair and friendly, and following which an invitation was extended for the present visit. He had thought it necessary to make it entirely clear that the scope and purpose of the visit should not be limited to some particular item raised in the London communiqué, but that the meeting should have before it the full width of its subject matter. There were to be four points of discussion, namely, exchanges of views on security, on armaments, on the return of Germany to the League and on the proposed Air Pact. It was only when an assurance was forthcoming on the German side that the discussion should be as wide as that, that Britain communicated with other Governments.

GRAVE QUESTION

Not only were these four topics thus marked down, but it was the (Continued on Page 7.)

GERMANY HAS NO EXCUSE

BUT MR. KELLOGG UNAFRAID OF WAR

AMERICA WON'T BE EMBROIDERED

Pasadena, March 21.

"There is no excuse for Germany's violation of the Treaty of Versailles," declared Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, joint author of the Briand-Kellogg Pact outlawing war and American member of the International Court at the Hague, interviewed here to-day.

But, added the statesman, there is some truth in Herr Hitler's claim that the other nations had agreed to disarm and had not done so.

Mr. Kellogg asserted that there would be no war in Europe over the present impasse.

"Certainly we Americans are not going to be in any war, that may appear later in Europe," said Mr. Kellogg.—*Reuter*.

MIDDLE OF THE ROAD

Washington, March 21.
High State Department officials to-day denied that they were drafting a protest to Germany over the breach of the Treaty of Versailles committed by Berlin in its decision to re-arm.
Mr. Guy Atherton, Counselor of the American Embassy in London, has enabled the State Department his first official report on the crisis, obtained from Sir John Simon, the British Foreign Minister, who did not ask the United States' views, incidentally. It is taken, for this reason, that the United States' "middle of the road policy" will thus remain unchanged.

NO COMPLICATIONS

Diplomats, however, see no possible complications in the event of the United States continuing in this middle course. In view of France's assertion that she will not recognise the legality of Germany's rearmament. Such a policy, on the part of the French, seemed to parallel the basic principle of the American policy in the Far East, the non-recognition of rights or territories gained forcibly. This doctrine was enunciated by Mr. Henry Stimson in 1932.

It is argued that it is doubtful that the League of Nations would continue to support the United States policy of non-recognition of Manchukuo if the United States protests against violation of the Treaty of Versailles.—*United Press*.

SINGAPORE NAVY BASE PROGRESS

WILL BE FINISHED BY 1939

EXPENDITURE REDUCED

London, March 21.

The Singapore naval base ought to be completed by 1939 at the present rate of progress, stated Captain Euan Wallace, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, when questioned in the House of Commons to-day.

Everything in relation to the base was proceeding according to plan and entirely satisfactorily, said Capt. Wallace.

The smaller sum was put down in this year's estimates largely because all the money which had been voted last year had not been spent, said the Minister.

The House of Commons passed the Works Vote in the supplementary naval estimates.—*Reuter*.

ADMIRALTY'S PRIVILEGE

REVERSED VERDICT OF COURT MARTIAL

London, March 21.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Bolton Eyres-Monsell, in answer to a Parliamentary question, said there were many precedents for the recent course taken by the Board of Admiralty in reversing the verdict of Naval Courts Martial.

In particular, he referred to the Admiralty's dissent from the House of Commons' opinion in a matter which acquitted the Captains of Conqueror and Howe in 1862 and 1893.

"On both occasions, the course which the Admiralty had taken was considered by the Commons and approved. On the first, Lord Palmerston, and, on the second, Mr. Asquith, vindicated with great force the right and duty of the Admiralty, as the authority supremely responsible for the safety and discipline of the Navy, to pronounce their opinion in a matter touching the safety of His Majesty's ships, quite apart from any decision which the Courts Martial may have reached.

"In reviewing the proceedings of the recent Courts Martial, the Admiralty took fully into account the whole of the evidence in which both the facts of the case and the contentions of the three officers concerned were perfectly clearly set forth. I am satisfied that the Board's action was just, was in accordance with precedent, and was required in view of the Board's responsibility to the Navy and to the public."—*British Wire- less*.

Body-Line Bowling Ban Approved

NOTTS COUNTY'S LAST WORD

CONTROVERSY AT AN END

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 21.

The annual meeting of the Notts County Cricket Club to-day unanimously carried a "peace" resolution, approving the motion passed by the Advisory County Cricket Committee last November banning that type of bowling known as the "body-line" delivery.

The Club disapproved of bowling which could be suspected of being a direct attack upon a batsman, and approved of the laying down of authority for County captains to take all steps to eliminate this type of bowling from the game entirely.

This is generally taken to be the last phase of the body-line controversy.

The Notts Club rescinded the vote of non-confidence in the Committee passed last November.

Sir Julian Cahn was elected president of the Club on the nomination of the Duke of Portland.—*Reuter Special*.

Frenchmen On Record Hop

FAITH IN BRITISH ENGINE

(Special to "Telegraph")

Khartoum, March 21.

Two French airmen, Maurice Finat and Paul DeForges, have flown from Marseilles to Assouan in the record time of twenty-seven hours.

The fliers are attempting a record flight to Madagascar, which is at present 78 hours 55 minutes away from Marseilles, in flying time. Finat and DeForges expect to better this time considerably. They are using a small Farman plane, with a thirty-five horse-power British motor.—*Reuter Special*.

BUGS IN BRITISH BARRACKS

NEW BUILDINGS ESSENTIAL

WORK PLANNED IN CHINA

London, March 21.

The House of Commons concerned itself to-day with the problem of bugs in British barracks overseas.

Lieut.-Col. Sir Arnold Wilson, National Conservative, formerly a Government officer in India and Persia, drew attention to reports of the infestation of barracks in Egypt, Gibraltar, Malta and China. He inquired of the Ministry what steps were being taken to remedy this distressing situation.

Mr. Douglas Hacking, Parliamentary Secretary for War, admitted that the problem was most difficult and that varying success had attended upon experiments to rid the barracks of bugs.

The only satisfactory solution, he said, lay in the replacement of structures and modernisation of the old-fashioned buildings which housed troops overseas. This was being done as funds were available.

Extensive building schemes were contemplated, particularly for China and Egypt, said Mr. Hacking.—*Reuter*.

LOCAL DOLLAR UNCHANGED

MARKET STILL UNCERTAIN

The Hongkong dollar was unchanged on opening this morning. Market conditions were somewhat uncertain, with little disposition to do business. The business rate on opening was 1s. 11.7/8d. sellers and 1s. 11.15/16d. buyers. Later, there were sellers at 1s. 11.15/16d. and buyers at 2/-.

Shanghai opened at 1s. 7.3/16d. and later declined to 1s. 7.1/16d.

In London, silver prices advanced 1/16th yesterday. China bought and India sold, offerings being small.

CHINA GOLD EXPORTS

Shanghai, March 21.

According to the Chinese Maritime Customs returns, silver imports into Shanghai during January and February showed an excess of \$2,936,400 over exports, while, during the same period, gold exports showed an excess of \$9,082,484 over imports.—*Central News*.

U.S. ATTEMPT AT STABILISATION PURCHASING SILVER WITH GOLD MAY ARRANGE DEALING WITH NANKING

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Washington, Mar. 21.

The United States' sales of gold to Mexico and Guatemala have now been revealed as an actual exchange of American gold for silver.

This revelation, coupled with the Treasury's willingness to sell gold to other nations, which could be paid for either in silver or commodities, has revived the conjecture that the United States will possibly exchange gold for Chinese silver.

It also appears as though the gold exchange policy is a first step towards the Administration's desire for the establishment of a modified international gold standard in the interests of an internationally stable currency.

These latest developments are significant inasmuch as they show that the United States desires to dispose of part of her record gold reserves.

The Treasury is worried over its policy, firstly because it is seriously affecting foreign powers, and, secondly, it is neutralising United States' efforts to build up a silver reserve, which the Treasury is making efforts to do without disrupting the world's financial markets.

It is pointed out that the Treasury has purchased nearly 400,000,000 ounces of silver since June, 1934.

CANADA AND CHINA

Experts have expressed the belief that Canada and China might be especially interested in exchanging silver for gold due to the fact that they are among the leading sources of the United States imports.

It will be recalled that in September last year China approached the United States on the subject, but nothing resulted from the discussion. Now it is believed that any renewal of the subject will depend on China's view and ultimate policy.

However, the situation is extremely interesting because of the recent reports that China is considering changing her monetary basis due to the heavy drain of silver to the United States.

Authorities have drawn attention to the fact that China could utilise foreign balances from the sales of silver to purchase gold wherever such balances accumulated, even in the United States, provided that the silver was sold directly in China.

It has been noted, however, that so much silver has been sold by private dealers instead of by the Central Bank of China, that it was doubtful if the Central Bank itself was accumulating any balances.

Attention was also drawn to the fact that even the private dealers' balances were accumulated in London instead of the United States.—*United Press*.

CUSTOMS CRUISERS TO HUNT PIRATES

BRITISH MINISTER'S SUGGESTION

Nanking, March 22.
It is learned in diplomatic circles that the Chinese Foreign Office has addressed a memorandum to the British Legation at Peking, approving of Sir Alexander Cadogan's proposal that Chinese Maritime Customs cruisers join in the piracy prevention work along the China coast.

The memorandum adds that Sir Alexander's proposal entirely conforms with the Anti-Piracy Regulations promulgated by the Chinese Government recently.—*Central News*.

NO HOPE OF NEW RECORD

CAMPBELL LEAVING DAYTONA

BITTERLY DISAPPOINTED

Daytona, March 21.

Sir Malcolm Campbell will leave Daytona on Sunday.

Bitterly disappointed that he was unable to reach a speed of 300 miles per hour over the beach course here with his gigantic racing car, the Bluebird, Sir Malcolm announced to-day that his attempts to better his own world record of 281.03 miles per hour were at an end, at least for this year.

After inspecting the beach to-day, he declared it unsuitable for a further speed trial. Yesterday's run along the course proved to the daring driver that the condition of the sand was not sufficiently good to allow a record attempt.

He ordered his world-famous car packed later in the day.

Sir Malcolm has not decided upon his plans for next year, but admits that he may return to Daytona and once again make an effort to reach 300 miles an hour.—*Reuter*.

White Star To Wind Up

SIXPENCE IN POUND FOR SHAREHOLDERS

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 21.

The decision of the White Star Line to present a petition for the compulsory winding up of the company, was the outcome of the adjourned extraordinary general meeting to-day.

The chairman said that proxies had sufficed to force through the voluntary liquidation and that the Board would fall in with the desires of the majority of shareholders.

Speaking unofficially, he thought the shareholders would not receive more than sixpence in the pound under the Royal Mail guarantee.—*Reuter Special*.

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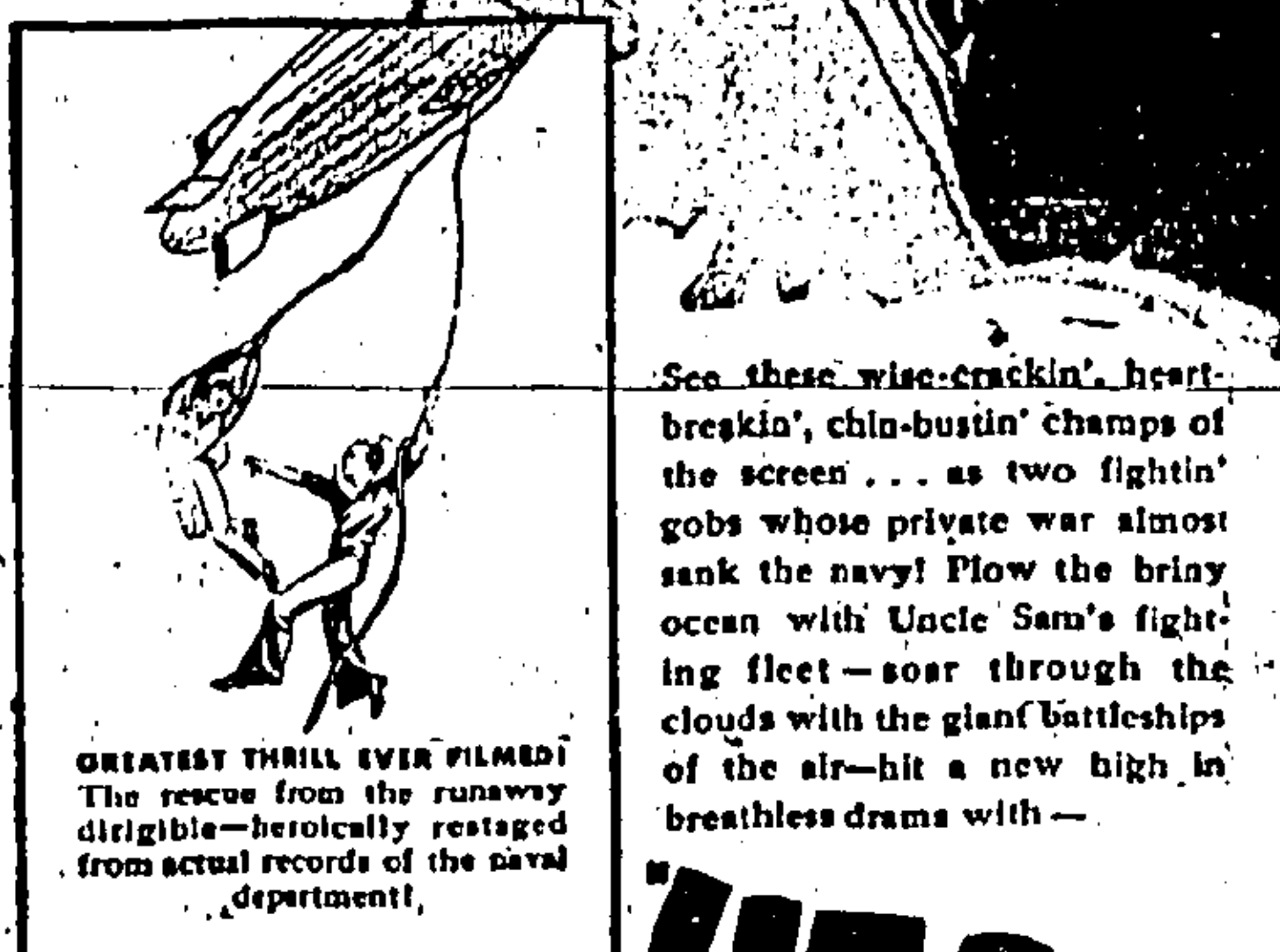
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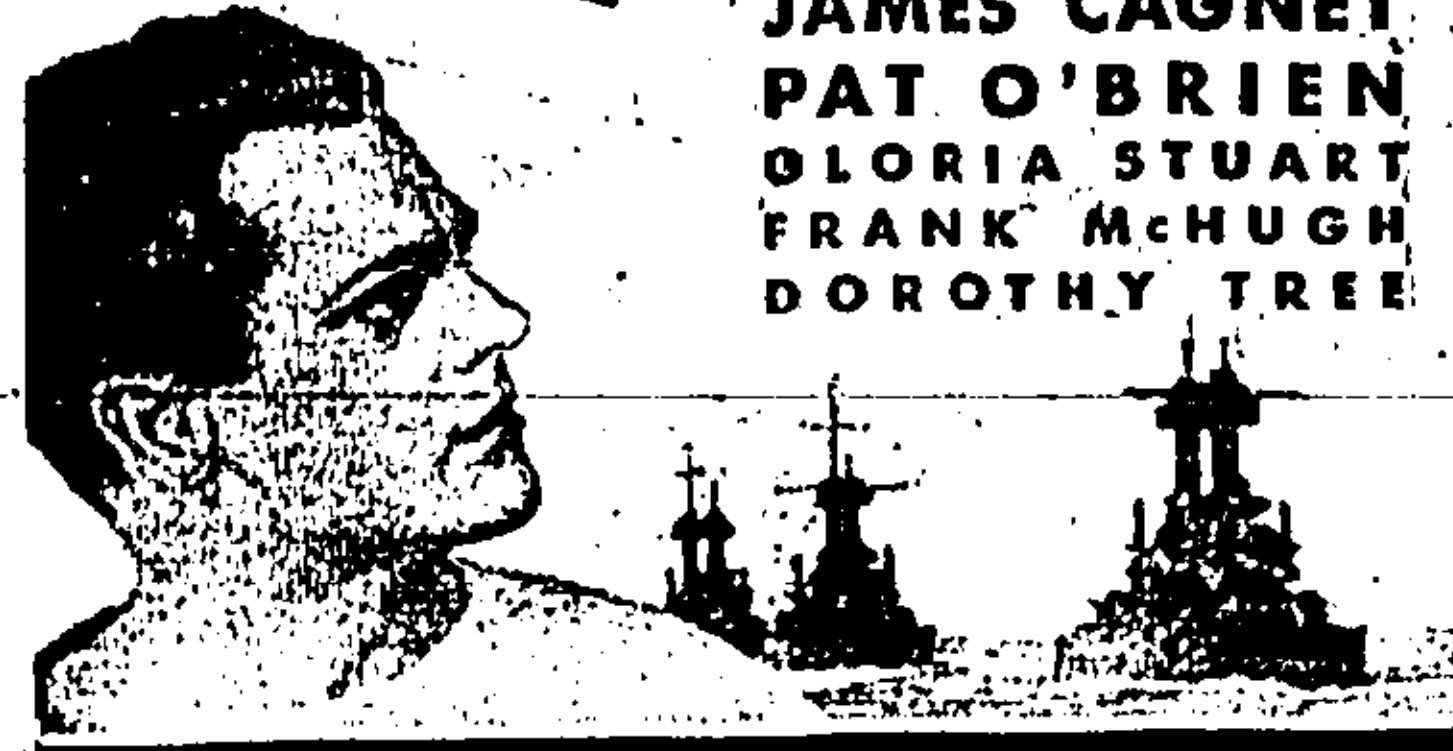
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HANDEL'S GIFT TO MANKIND

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BEAUTIFUL
ORATORIOS

By MARGARET HILLMAN

The 250th anniversary of the birth of George Frederick Handel, which falls on February 23, recalls some interesting stories about the world-famous musical composer, whose great oratorios "Messiah," "Samson," "Joseph," "Saul," and "Judas Maccabeus" are still familiar to most of us to-day.

Handel was born in the German town of Halle in 1685, and even as a child he had a perfect passion for music. His father was quite unmusical, and was so determined that his gifted son should become a lawyer that he forbade any musical instrument to be brought into the house, and actually burned the small boy's drums and trumpets.

But at the age of seven the youthful musician, with the aid of a kindly aunt, managed to obtain a clavichord, the precursor of our modern pianoforte, and, hiding it in the garret, taught himself to play. Very often the small boy practised far into the night, secure in the knowledge that the sweet, muffled tones of the clavichord could not be heard by the rest of the household.

The following year Handel was taken by his father on a visit to the Duke of Weissenfels, who noticed the boy's great love of music. One day he was allowed to play the organ, and to the amazement of his hearers the eight-year-old boy played with the skill and touch of a master.

DUCAL PATRONAGE
The Duke turned to Handel's father and asked if he had never observed that his son was a musical genius. Thereafter the Duke offered to pay for the boy's musical education, and with his father's reluctant consent, he was placed under an eminent organist. The result was that before he reached the mature age of ten Handel was a brilliant instrumentalist and an accomplished composer.

In 1703 when Handel was in Hamburg, he and a friend went to Lubbeck to compete for the post of organist at the Marienkirche, vacant owing to the retirement of the celebrated organist, Buxtehude. However, it turned out that Buxtehude had made a stipulation that his successor must marry his only daughter. Neither Handel nor his friend had any inclination to do so, so they made a polite farewell.

Handel came to London in 1710, during the reign of Queen Anne, and continued his triumphant career as a composer. One day Handel was rehearsing a song with a young English singer named Gordon, who had the audacity to criticise the composer's method of accompanying. This was more than Handel could stand, and he told Gordon sharply to mind his own business. High words followed, and Gordon finally declared that if Handel persisted in accompanying him in that manner he would jump upon his harpsichord and smash it to pieces.

"Oh," replied Handel, "let me know when you will do that, and I will advertise it; for I am sure more people will come to see you jump than to hear you sing."

THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS.
At the first performance of "Messiah" in London in 1743, the great audience was deeply affected by the music, and when it came to the phrase, "For the Lord God Omnipotent," in the Hallelujah Chorus, the whole audience, including the King (George II.), simultaneously rose to their feet, and remained standing until the chorus ended. This was probably the origin of that custom which still prevails at every rendering of "Messiah."

SMART SEQUINS

Trim the Top of Satin
and Crepe Dress

COOKERY NOTES



Sequins trim the top of this satin and crepe dress, intended for evening wear at home. The sleeves are deeply inset, and a panel of sequins is revealed by the cowl top. A sequin buckle finishes the belt.

STILL CIDER

PEEL three large apples, cut them in slices, and put in a large jug or ewer with 1/4 lb. castor sugar, four tablespoonfuls lemon juice, and the thinly cut rind of two lemons. Pour 1/2 gallon boiling water over all, taste, add more sugar if necessary, leave till very cold, then strain and serve.

Handel was a most generous benefactor of the Foundling Hospital, London, and for many years gave an annual performance of "Messiah" in the Foundling Chapel, each of which meant an addition of about £500 to the Hospital. Strange as it may seem the trustees of the Hospital discovered that Handel had in his will bequeathed a full score and a complete set of parts of "Messiah" to the Hospital, and they actually petitioned Parliament, during the composer's lifetime, to accord them the sole right of performing "Messiah." Handel was perfectly furious. "The Devil!" he cried. "For what shall the Foundlings put mine oratorio in the Parliament? The Devil! Mine music shall not go to the Parliament."

In 1751 Handel was stricken with total blindness. Not long after this terrible calamity had fallen upon him he was present at a performance of "Samson," when a distinguished tenor sang with great feeling the solo:

"Total eclipse! No sun, no moon!
All dark amid the blaze of noon."

The touching spectacle of the blind composer sitting beside the organ listening to these poignant words affected the audience so powerfully that many of them burst into tears.

FORTY YEARS' FRIENDSHIP
In the first weeks of Handel's blindness, he was unable to take part in the performance of his oratorios, and his surgeon recommended to him a blind musician, John Stanley, whose memory was remarkable. Handel burst out laughing and cried: "Have you never read the Scriptures? Do you not remember, if the blind lead the blind, they both fall into the ditch?"

Later on, however, he found Stanley's assistance very valuable, and after Handel's death the performances of his oratorios were continued by Stanley and Handel's old friend John Christopher Smith. John Christopher Smith, or Schmidt, as he was originally called, had been Handel's closest friend for forty years when they parted in anger. Smith's son, however, who was Handel's secretary, remained with him, and shortly after

MILLIONAIRE'S ART SALE

PICTURES WORTH
MILLIONS

WORLD FAMOUS
MASTERPIECES

New York, Mar. 18.
Mr. John Pierpont Morgan, titan of American finance, has begun to dispose of some of his priceless art treasures as the move of a prudent man entering life's final stretch to place his estate in good order.

Mr. Charles R. Henschel, president of Knoedler's galleries, announced he was handling the sale of six paintings from the Morgan collection.

They are valued at U.S. \$1,500,000 and it will be the biggest sale of paintings since the Hermitage Museum collection was sold at Leningrad in 1929 and 1930. Henschel handled 25 pictures of that group valued at \$12,000,000.

Mr. Henschel induced the head of the House of Morgan to part with the paintings by telling him that there is a "boom market" in art and they may not bring so high a price again for many years.

The interview between the connoisseur and the 77-year-old financier was described for the United Press by a source close to Morgan.

Mr. Henschel had a painting which he believed Mr. Morgan might buy.

"No, I'm not buying," said Mr. Morgan.

Perhaps you would consider selling some painting from your collection," said Mr. Henschel. He said the market is distinctly favourable for disposition of valuable objects of art.

"I'll think it over," replied Mr. Morgan.

After deliberation he decided to offer six—among them, the famous "Anne of Austria," by Peter Paul Rubens and Chirlandalo's "Slovenna Tornabuoni." The latter alone is worth half a million dollars, according to connoisseurs.

This answer was: "Yes—if I set the right price."

He was guided, according to one close to the financier, by the consideration that "perhaps a little too much of his fortune, which is not as great as the public believes, was in art; that his years are numbered and that as a prudent and business-like man he wishes to leave his estate in the best possible condition."

"Mr. Morgan felt that with a 'boom market' existing in the present time for paintings of great value, he would be remiss in his duty to the estate if he did not dispose of some of the paintings at this time," said the United Press informant.

In addition to Rubens' "Anne of Austria" and the Chirlandalo masterpiece, there are two of Frans Hals' portraits Sir Thomas Lawrence's portrait of Lady Elizabeth Farren and Fra Lippo Lippi's "St. Lawrence Enthroned."

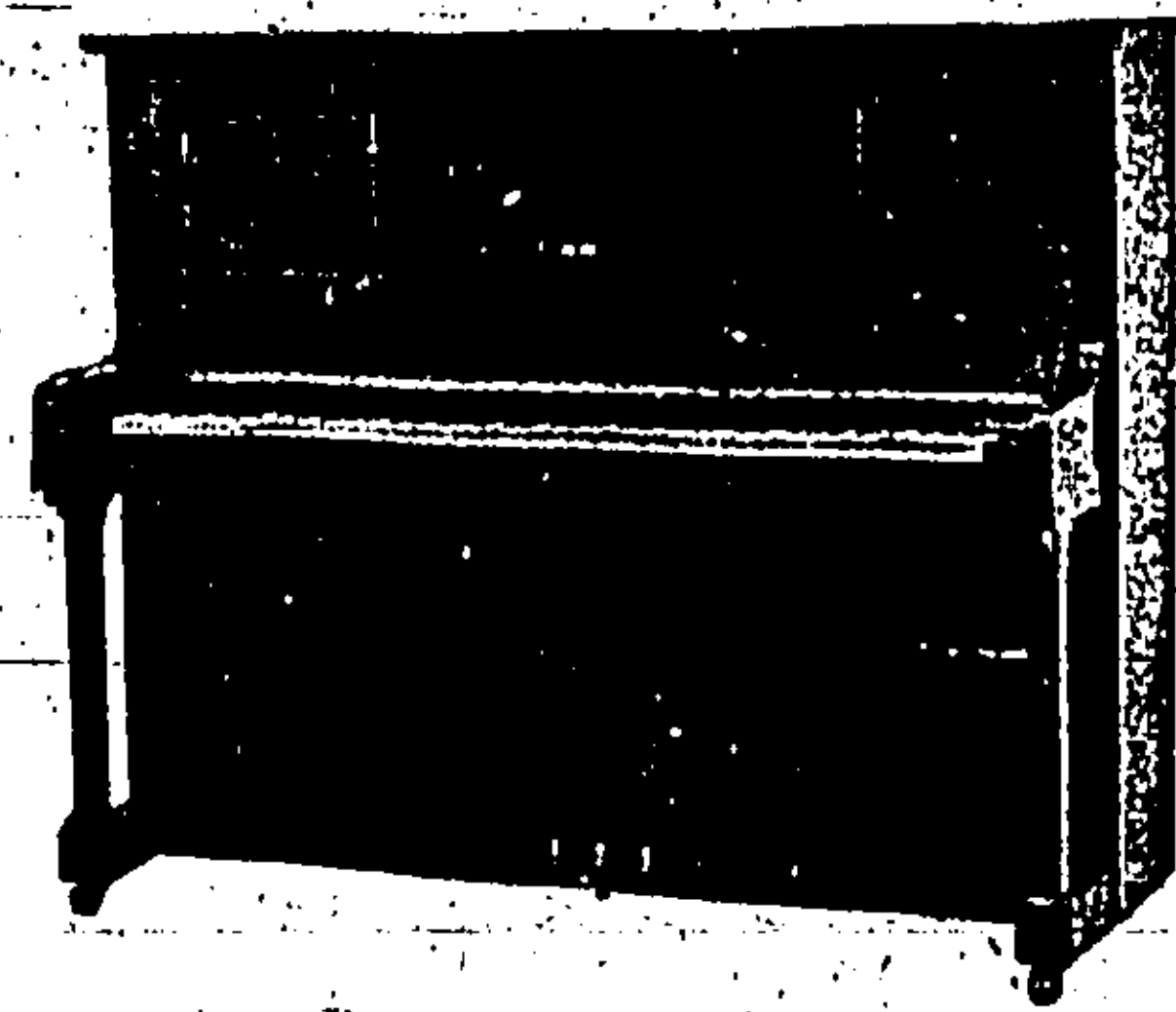
The Hals portraits are the famed "Dodothe Family" pair. Lady Elizabeth Farren was a great English actress, Countess of Derby and daughter of a Cork druggist.—United Press.

The quarrel Handel told him that he was going to put his name in place of his father's in his will. Young Smith declared that if Handel did so, he would leave him instantly and take no further share in his oratorio performances. "For," he added, "what will the world think if you set aside my father and leave this legacy to me?" Handel gave in, and a few days later was reconciled to his old friend.

George Frederick Handel reached his journey's end on April 14, 1759, when he passed away after a very brief illness, at the age of 74, and was laid to rest beside our greatest dead in Westminster Abbey.

But Handel's wonderful music still lives, not for an age, but for all time, and to English-speaking people Handel will ever be remembered as the great composer who "set the Bible to music."

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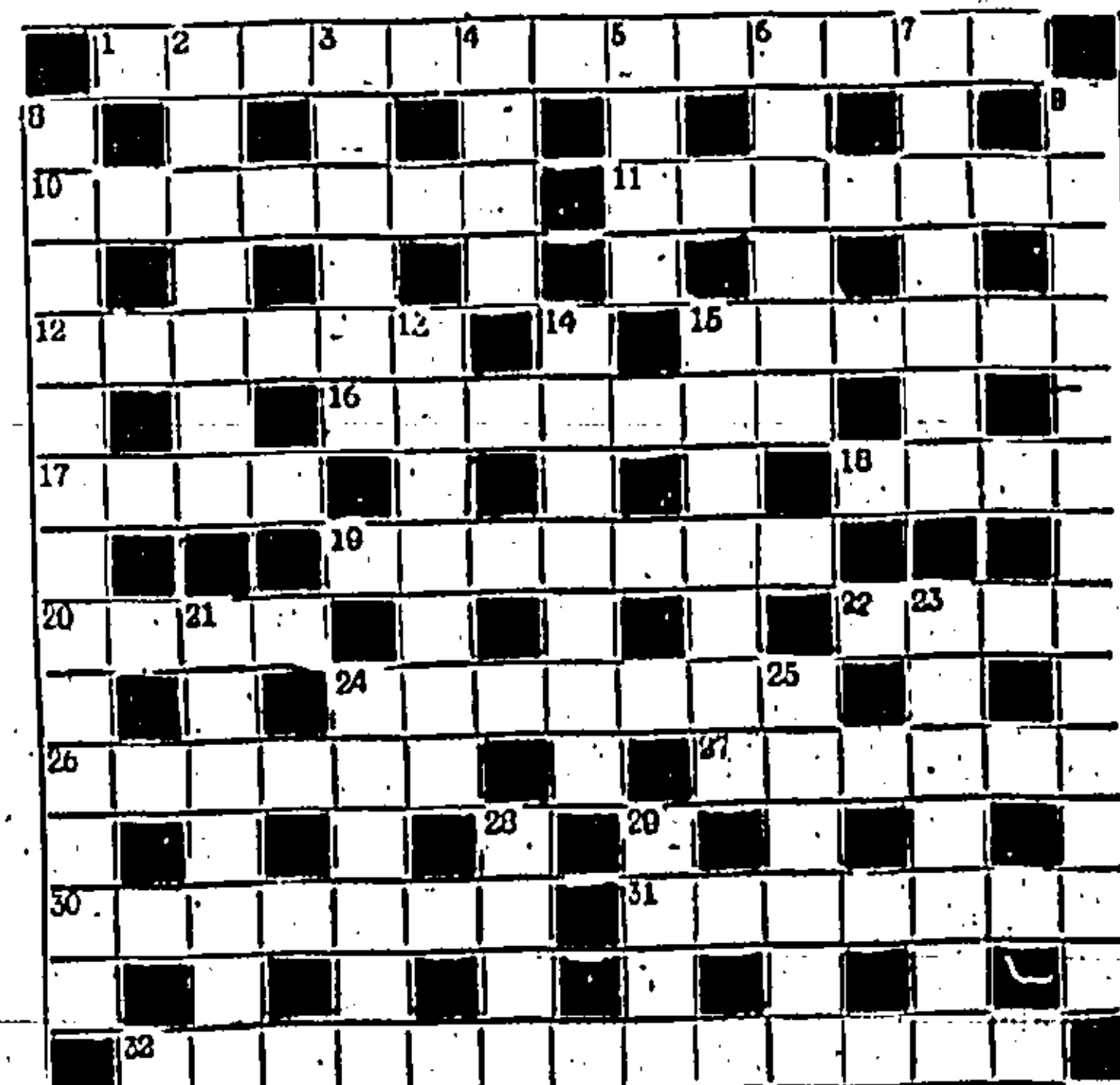
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- 16 A bit of jewellery.
- 17 Clan.
- 18 Town of India.
- 19 Take a share from the park tea.
- 20 Kind of wine.
- 22 Engrave in a way.
- 24 May describe a cock or his spur.
- 26 Much the same as a halo.
- 27 Fish.
- 30 An artery.
- 31 Carried by many a scribe of old.
- 32 A good quality in a car when it has to be overhauled.

Down

- 2 Is this baby's first dance?
- 3 Famous old master.
- 4 One in the solar system.
- 5 A national emblem.
- 6 "Battle" is its anagram and one might cause many to be set up.
- 7 Erratic.
- 8 "Calls this nice" (anag.).
- 9 Unkind epithet for the absent-minded professor.

- 13 "Teg sale" (anag.).
- 14 22 across in the heavens is merely outlined.
- 15 Perhaps the original of Robinson Crusoe.
- 16 Material.
- 23 This position has nothing above!
- 24 Brilliance.
- 25 Metal.
- 26 The reason for a bookmaker's success.
- 29 Part of the body.

Yesterday's Solution.

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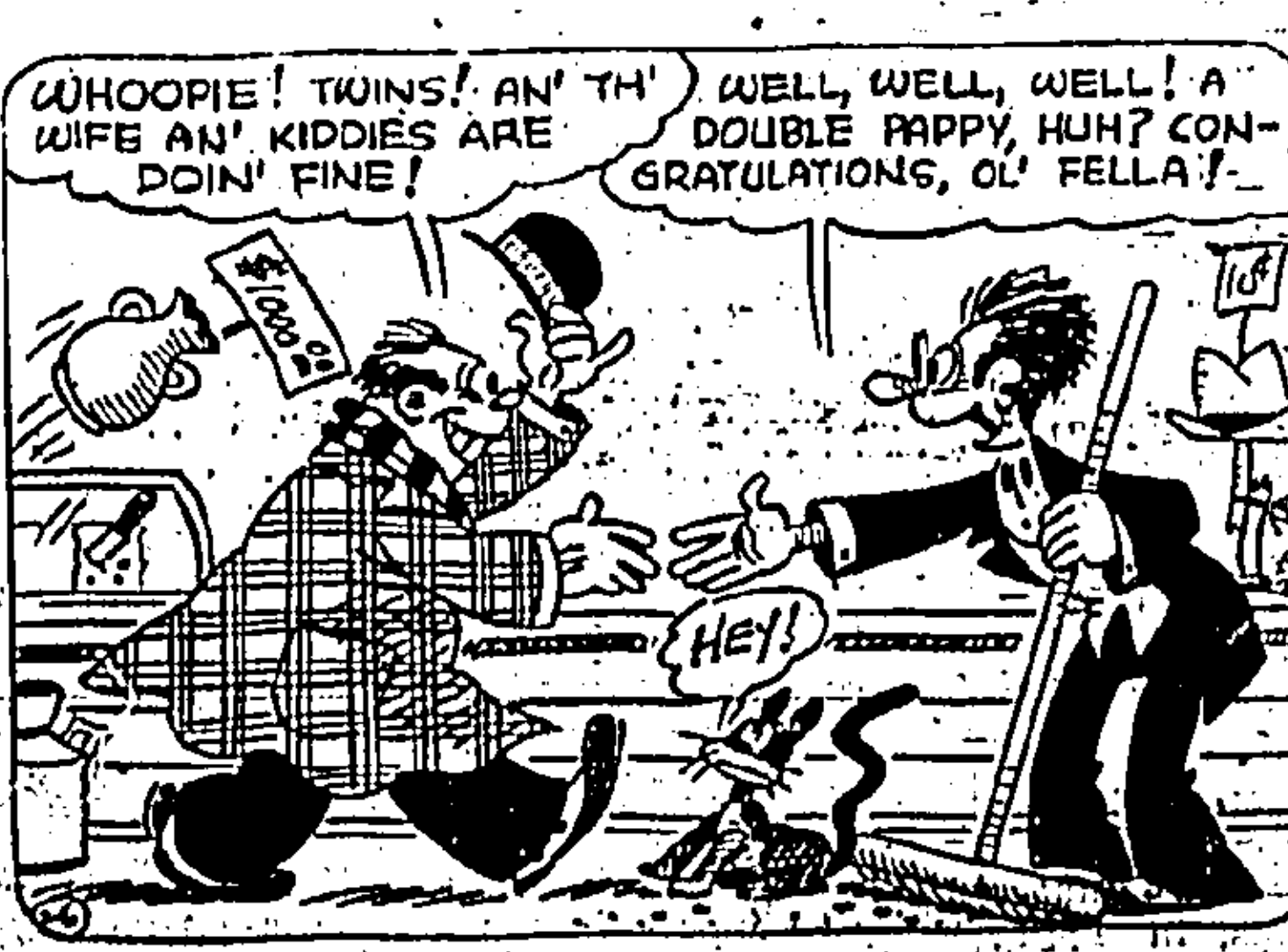
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NAPOLÉON'S LOVE LIFE

EMPEROR'S LETTERS TO HER MOTHER

HAPPY YEARS IN FRANCE

Paris. Napoleon, conqueror of Europe, was an attentive and amiable husband, even being willing to have his mother-in-law and his wife's relatives live with him, according to newly-discovered letters from Empress Josephine to her mother in Martinique.

These letters from the beautiful Creole, Josephine, who was Napoleon's first wife, together with Napoleon's own letters to Marie Louise, his second wife, are the only Napoleonic which have come to light in recent years.

Mme. Irmine Ramette, editor of *Le Trésor Des Lettres*, which is publishing the Josephine letters, said she found them in the National Library while seeking material for a history of Martinique.

"This is the first publication of Josephine's letters," she said. "Napoleon's own letters to Josephine were published long ago and are available in every Napoleonic history and biography, particularly in the work of Frederick Masson, who published them in full in the 19th Century."

"But these letters of Josephine to her mother are new. With Napoleon's own unpublished letters to Marie Louise, which are soon to be made public, these documents throw new light on Napoleon's character."

The letters of Josephine de Beauharnais informally describe her own life in Europe to her mother living in Martinique and throw an entirely new light on the emperor's love life. They depict him as a husband anxious to please his wife and to aid her friends and relatives.

FIRST LETTER

In her first letter home, shortly after her marriage to Napoleon in March 1796, Josephine wrote:

"You must love Bonaparte, Mother. He makes your daughter very happy. He is good and amiable; in every way a charming man."

In a letter a few months later from Paris she wrote of Napoleon's willingness to have his mother-in-law and her relatives live with them.

"Bonaparte and myself have the greatest desire that you come and live with us," she wrote. "My uncle must come to France and bring all his children with him. Bonaparte will take charge of them."

In one of the last letters of the collection, four years before Napoleon divorced her for not bearing him children, Josephine wrote:

"Dear Mother: I am charging my cousin with giving you news. I am sure in advance of the pleasure you will have to learn from him all that concerns the Emperor

and interests me. I have arranged with him to give you all the proofs of the attachment which the Emperor heaps upon my family and the happiness which your daughter enjoys."

The earlier letters of the series reveal that the financial worries which beset Josephine induced her to marry Napoleon while he was still struggling to get ahead.

APPEALS FOR HELP

Frantic appeals for help, for money and for fruit to keep herself and her children—Eugene and Hortense, alive filled most of the letters. Ten years before Josephine became empress of the French, she struggled for life. The struggles are best related in three of the letters, all addressed to her mother, Mme. Joseph Gaspard Tascher de La Pagerie, at Trois Ilets, Martinique. Shedding new light on Josephine's stormy life, the letters disclose the real suffering of a native girl of Martinique, first married to an island nobleman who was guillotined in 1794. She eventually became Empress of Martinique under the Amiens Peace Treaty of 1802, under which England, having seized the island in 1794, gave it back to France and to Napoleon, who had by then been married for six years to the beautiful Creole.

The first letter to Josephine's mother announced the guillotining of her husband, Viscount de Beauharnais. Matters went from bad to worse with Josephine and then weeks later she was forced to admit to her mother in her second letter—without any expressed sentiment except gratitude to the giver—that she and the children were able to exist only by the help of one Emmercy, de Dunkerque. The future Empress did not seem conscience-stricken over being supported by a strange man, being more concerned with the fact that the arrangement would be temporary.

Nothing in her past life had, in fact, instilled disapproval of that sort of thing in her.

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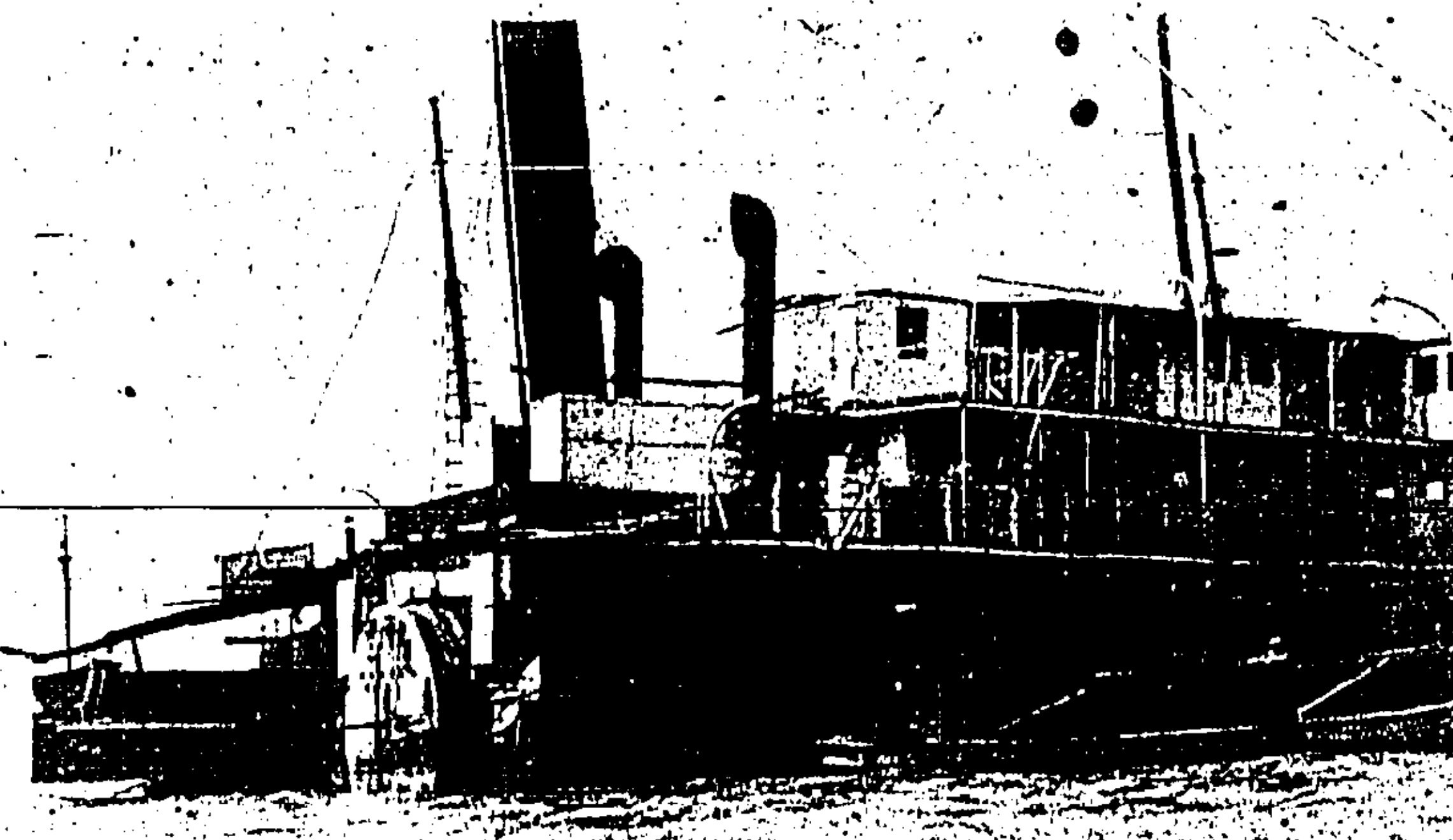
More than one year later, in 1796, Josephine casually told her mother for the first time that she had married General Bonaparte, indicating that the marriage was not an exceptionally fortunate catch for her but that Bonaparte was a very charming man nevertheless and she was sure her mother would like him.

In a letter after the restoration of Martinique to France, Josephine wrote to her mother:

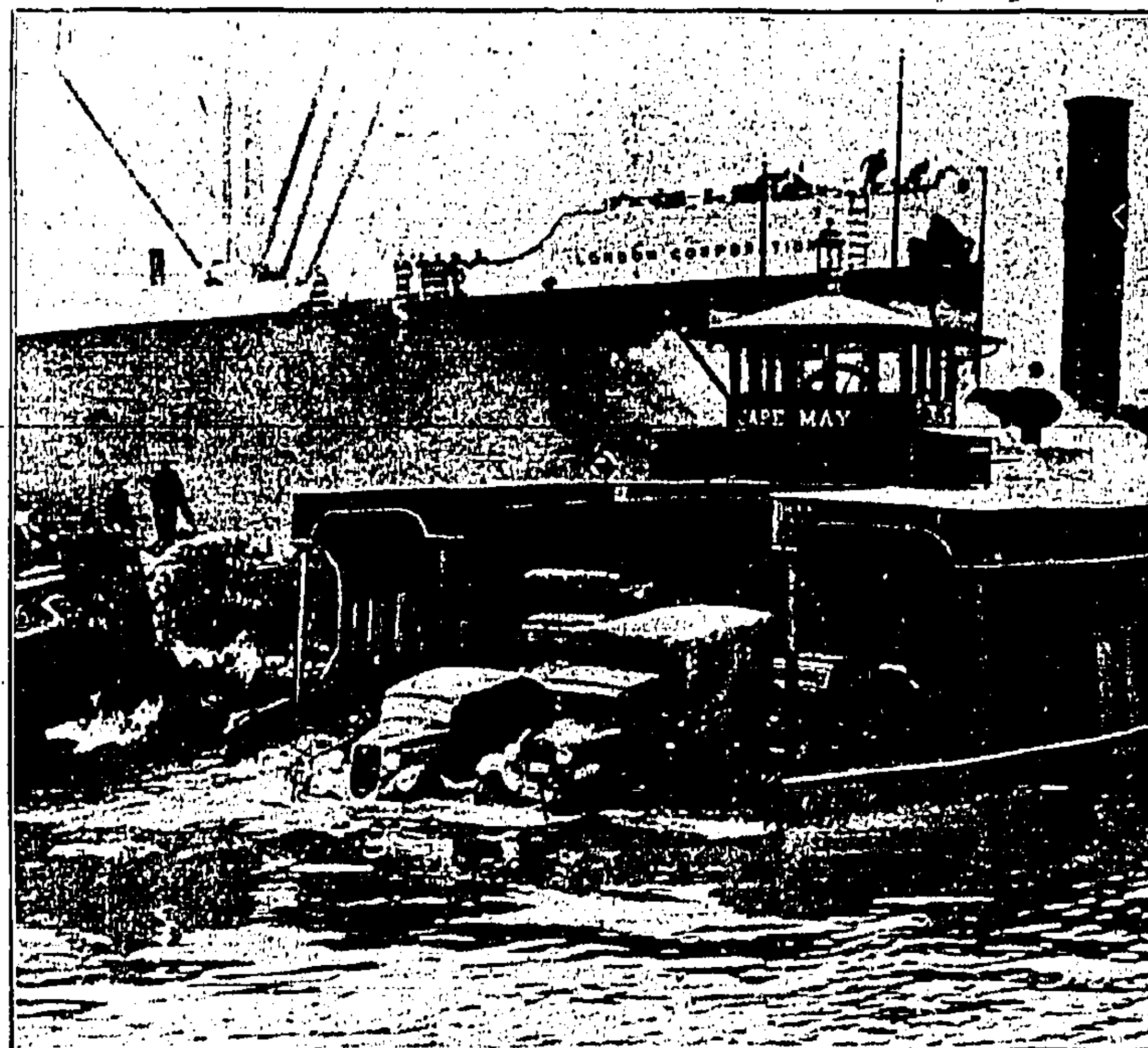
"He (Bonaparte) wants very much for you to come to France if you can accustom yourself to live in a climate so different from that. If you comply with my desires, you must depart so you can arrive in June. You would like Bonaparte very much. He is making your daughter very happy. He is good and he is altogether charming. He loves your Yvette."—*United Press*.



These three are in the public eye: Left to right, Herr Goebbels, Reichminister of Propaganda, M. Francois Poncet, French Ambassador to Berlin, and Der Fushar.

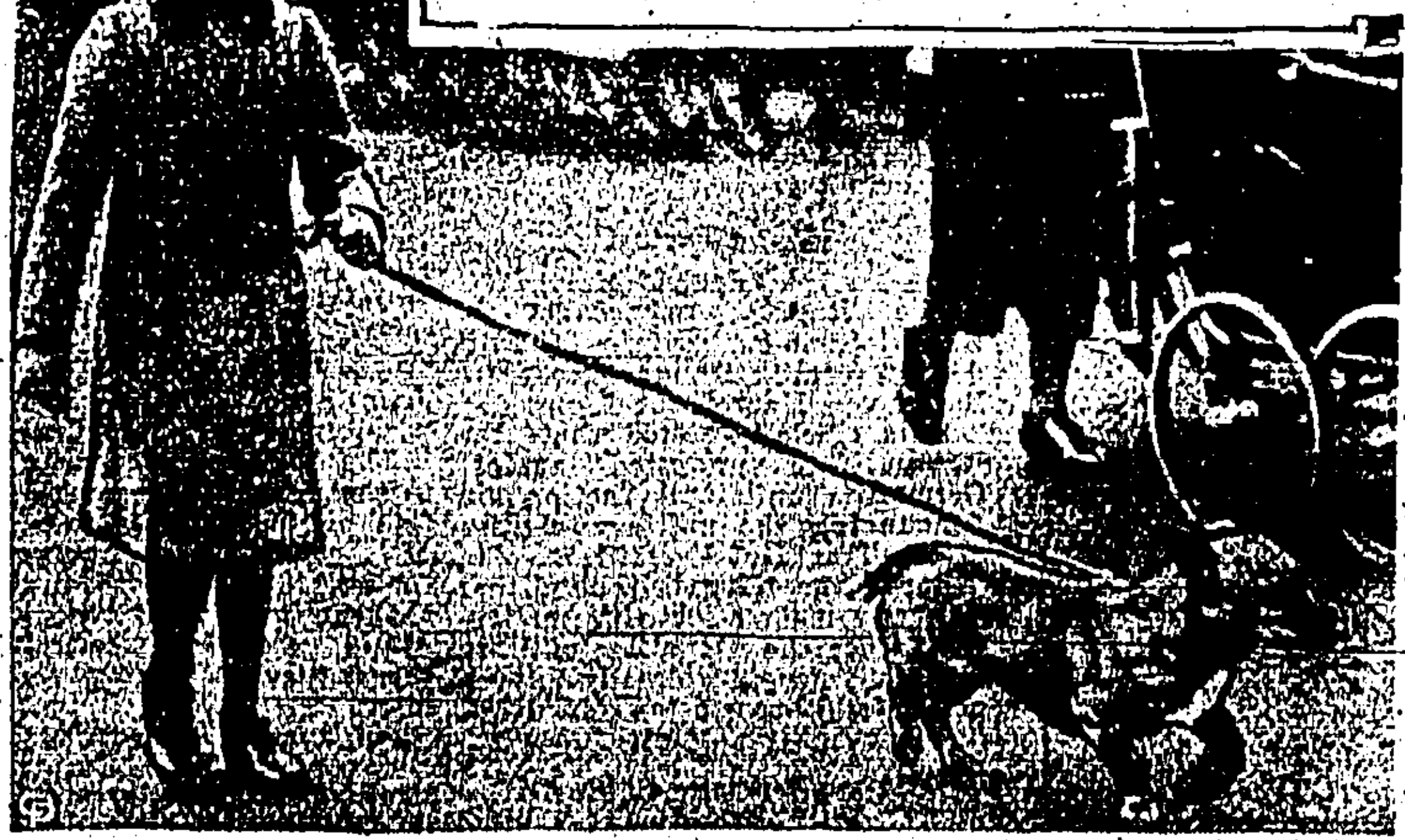


This is one end of the U.S. Kian. She broke in two on the rocks of Tungchow island, and her other half is still there.



Here is the United States ferryboat, Cape May, sinking shortly after the British freighter London Corporation had rammed her in the Delaware river, Philadelphia, U.S.A. Eight passengers were injured and several motor-cars, aboard the ferry for transportation across the river, sank.

Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, and granddaughter of the King and Queen of England, taking a stroll in Hyde Park, London, with her pet dog, a Welsh Corgi. Strangely to say, no one recognized the distinguished youngster, who will be nine years old on April 21.



Two royal lads on whom the fate of the Balkans may rest in future years are shown here as they met in Belgrade, the boy King Peter of Yugo-Slavia at the left and Crown Prince Michael of Rumania right. Michael enjoyed a visit with Peter when he went to the Yugo-Slav capital to see his aunt, the widowed Queen Marie.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Monday, 25th March, 1935, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1934. The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 25th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
E. COCK, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1935.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong), on Thursday the 25th day of April, 1935, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1934, confirming the appointment of two Directors, and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 13th April, 1935, to Thursday, 25th April, 1935, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY, Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1935.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of Messrs. Dudwell & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 3rd April, 1935, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1934.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd March to 3rd April, 1935, both dates inclusive.

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General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1935.

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THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 29th March, 1935, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1934.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

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BERLIN REJECTS PROTESTS

STRONG NOTES FROM FRANCE AND ITALY

London, Mar. 21.
According to a Paris message, the French Note to the League does not ask for the immediate convocation of the League Council, because it is considered there is no immediate danger, but draws the attention of the League to Germany's arbitrary action and the injury which may result to the mutual trust of nations and the peace of the world.

The Secretary-General of the League of Nations, M. Avenol, will present the French appeal to the President and other members of the Council who will decide when the Council will meet.

The appeal requires a unanimous decision of the Council before it can be allowed. Meanwhile, the decision to hold a Three Power Conference in Paris before Sir John Simon proceeds to Berlin is hailed by the French Press as indicating that co-operation between Great Britain, France and Italy has been re-affirmed and strengthened.

On the other hand, the French appeal to the League is viewed with much sarcasm in Germany.

Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung declares that France has denied the League of Nations' idea by returning to the policy of alliances. It adds that the Geneva happenings will not have the slightest influence on the development of affairs.

It is understood that the naval question will be raised during Sir John Simon's discussions in Berlin.—Reuter.

League Meeting

Geneva, Mar. 21.
The Council of the League of Nations will be convened within the first week in April to consider Germany's action in abrogating Clause V of the Treaty of Versailles.—United Press.

Peace at Stake

Paris, Mar. 21.
"The German proclamation corresponds to a conception, which, if accepted by the world, means the destruction of the work of peace founded by the League of Nations," declared the French Prime Minister, M. Flandin, before a crowded Senate this afternoon.

M. Flandin added that France could not accept the Reich's thesis or its justification. France was bringing Germany's grave act before the League in virtue of Article IX.

"The peace of the world is again at stake," said M. Laval. It was not true that France had not fulfilled her disarmament undertakings. She had reduced her effective by 60 per cent, her period of military service from three years to one, her fleet from 768,000 tons to 550,000 tons, and similarly, her Air Force. If she had not disarmed more, it was solely on account of the rearmament which had been proceeding across the Rhine.

It was untrue, he said, that the Reich had executed her treaty obligations. The Reich referred to the official destruction of war material but forgot the new clandestine construction, which was the real rearmament behind the official disarmament.

M. Flandin then recalled the long list of occasions on which France had gradually abandoned her claims to reparations and added: "It could be asked how a great people like the Germans, under such a travesty of history, would ever prove their sincere desire for collaboration."—Reuter.

Note Presented

London, Mar. 21.
The French Note of protest against the military developments in Germany was formally presented to the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath in Berlin this morning by the French Ambassador, M. Ponce.

Fiat Rejection

Berlin, Mar. 21.
Baron von Neurath's reply to the French Note says that the explanation given by the French Government does not take into account the actual position, and must therefore be rejected by Germany.—Reuter.

Italian Protest

Berlin, Mar. 21.
The Italian Ambassador to Berlin, Signor Vittorio Cerutti delivered the Italian Note to Baron von Neurath at 1 p.m. It is officially stated that the Italian Note protested against Germany's unilateral action in denouncing the military clauses of the Treaty of Versailles.

Baron von Neurath replied that Germany must reject this motivation, since the Versailles military clauses have already been abrogated through the failure of others to disarm.—United Press.

An appeal under a specific clause of the Peace Treaty is not likely and there is no idea of invoking sanctions under Article XIX of the League Covenant.—Our Own Correspondent.

CURE FOR LEPROSY

BRITISH SCIENTIST BRAVES DEATH TO FIND IT

Palm Springs, Calif., Mar. 20.
Dr. Arthur Torrance, of London, noted scientist and explorer, announced here on the eve of his departure for New York and Borneo that he hopes to come back from the jungle with a cure for leprosy.

Associated with the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine of London, Dr. Torrance has visited the leading leper colonies of the world, and for the past three years has been making an intensive study of the disease. Prior to his interest in leprosy, he spent nearly four years in Africa engaged in sleeping sickness research.

"We will be in Borneo interior for six months," Dr. Torrance said, "studying leprosy and its effect upon primitive peoples. We will organise hospitals, and at the completion of our studies hope to announce, definitely, that we have a cure. The treatment probably will be a combination of drug and diet."

Dr. Torrance said the party will include sixteen doctors and nurses.—United Press.

ONE OF AMERICA'S GREAT MEN

(Continued from Page 6.)

Fromageot, and others. I recalled the words of my richly experienced host: "Looking back on my life, I do not remember any period in which the world has moved so decidedly—indeed cannot help moving even against mistaken counsels—towards arbitration, international understanding and collaboration."

"The churches, especially, can educate the nations in preaching that ideal," was another of his maxims, and in his mouth "ideal" is no empty word. Mr. Kellogg is far from being an ostentatious man. In one public gesture he once put an example to the world, for when, after the signing of the Pact which so richly bears his name, he visited the grave of the Unknown Soldier under the Arc de Triomphe, he did what no one, no prince or statesman had ever dared do before: he knelt on the pavement and prayed with closed eyes before that symbol of the millions who fell, offering their lives for a new and better world.

So intense are Frank Kellogg's convictions.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

8.30 p.m. The B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9.15 p.m. The Coventry Hippodrome Orchestra.
9.45 p.m. The News and Announcements.
10 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3
(G.R.P. G.S.B. and G.S.H.)
10.15 p.m. Big Ben. New British Dance Music.
10.30 p.m. The Athenian presents for the company and herself "Back Again".
11.15 p.m. The Scottish Studio Orchestra.
12 a.m. Talk: "Music and the Ordinary Listener." By Walter Davies.
12.30 a.m. The News.
12.59 a.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.
1.15 a.m. Dance Music.
1.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4
(G.S.B. and G.S.H.)
2 a.m. Big Ben. The News and Announcements.
2.30 a.m. Orchestral Interlude.
3.30 a.m. Talk: "Under Big Ben." Mr. Howard Marshall.
4.45 a.m. The Wireless Military Band.
5.30 a.m. The Music of George Foulds.
6.30 a.m. The Music of George Foulds.
7.15 a.m. Variety Feature.
7.45 a.m. The B.C. Northern Orchestra.
8.15 a.m. Entertainment Hour.
8.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.
8.50 a.m. The B.C. Orchestra (Section D). Conducted by Clarence Ray.
9.15 a.m. Close down.

and Signor Suvitch has somewhat calmed apprehensions in French and Italian circles.

It is learned that the French Note to Britain on Sunday mooted the possibility of an appeal to the League and other measures against German conscription.

The fact that Britain had not replied, but had sent a Note to Germany without prior discussion with France, caused some irritation in France and there was much plain speaking at yesterday's discussions between French and Italian statesmen. Both the latter are strongly urging consultations prior to the Berlin visit.

After their visit to Berlin, Sir John Simon or Mr. Eden will possibly see Signor Mussolini. The French decision to appeal to the League is regarded in British political circles as a matter of psychological expediency, though it is realised in London that the gravity of recent events would necessitate the raising of the matter at Geneva sooner or later.

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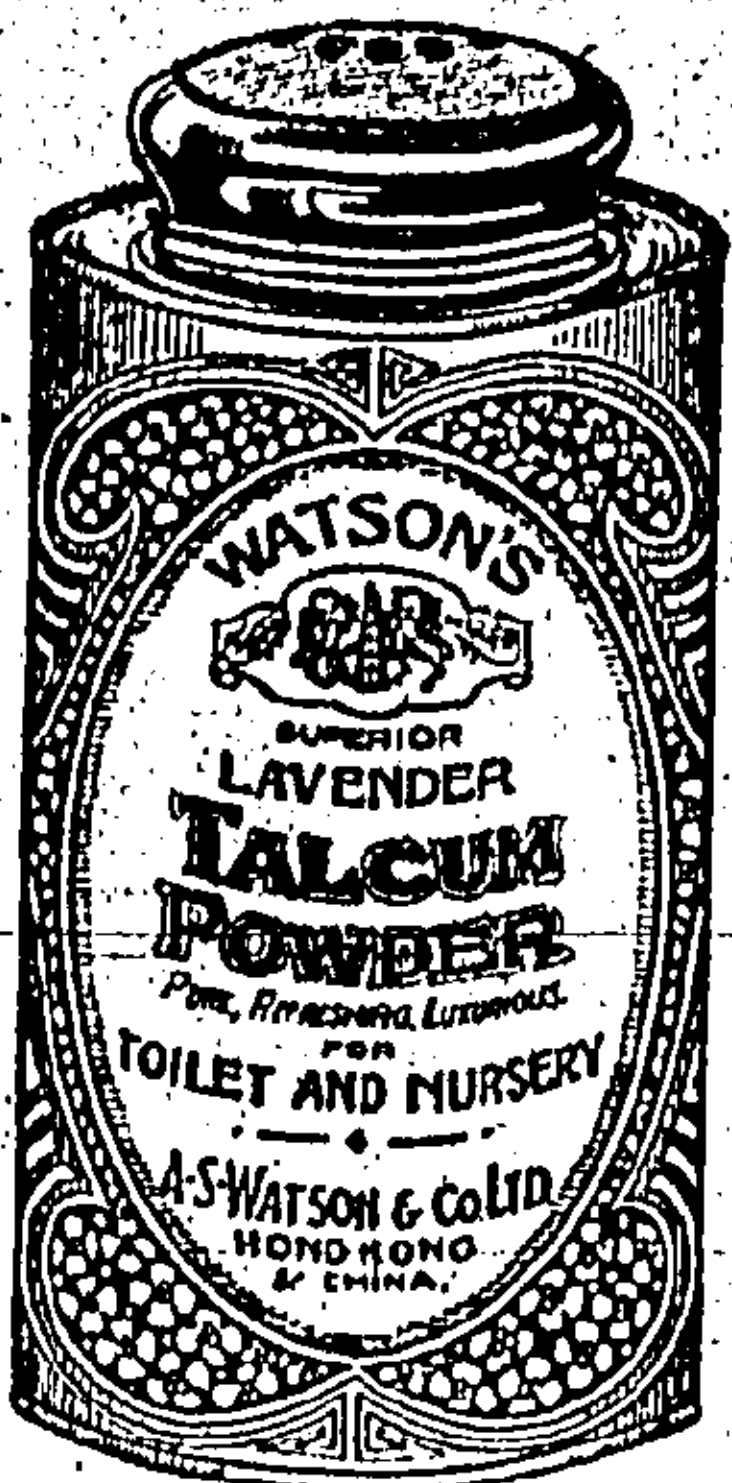
INWARD MAILS.

Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 28th February)	Atsuta Maru	March 22.
Manila	Carthage	March 22.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 2nd March)	General Sherman	March 22.
Manila	Pres. Grant	March 22.
Straits	Pres. Hoover	March 22.
Saigon	Tauhinia Maru	March 22.
Shanghai and Swatow	Andro Lebon	March 22.
Shanghai and Amoy	Sulyang	March 22.
Straits	Tainan	March 22.
Haiphong	Yokohama	March 22.
Straits	Canton	March 22.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 9th March)	Achilles	March 22.
Shanghai	Agamemnon	March 22.
Shanghai	Aramis	March 22.
Japan	Yasukuni Maru	March 22.
Japan	Sanbha	March 22.
Japan and Shanghai	Teyama Maru	March 22.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 9th March)	Chichibu Maru	March 22.
Shanghai	Emp. of Asia	March 28.
Japan	Lycen	March 28.
Shanghai	Muroran Maru	March 28.
Japan and Shanghai	Bhutan	March 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 1st March)	Haruna Maru	March 28.
Straits	Pres. Polk	March 29.
Straits	Genoa Maru	March 30.
Straits and London (London, 21st February)	Ginjo Maru	March 30.
Calcutta and Straits	Patroclus	March 30.
Japan	Sulung	March 30.
	Nankin	March 31.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
	Friday.	
Formosa	Benrhuis	Fri., Mar. 22, 1 p.m.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Fri., Mar. 22, 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Fri., Mar. 22, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Mar. 22, 3 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "San Francisco"	Tai Ming	Fri., Mar. 22, 4 p.m.
(Due San Francisco, 14th April)	General Sherman	Fri., Mar. 22, 4.15 p.m.
Saigon	Letters	Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
	Tinchow	Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
	Saturday.	
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., C. and S. American, Canada and "Europe" via San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 10th April)	Pres. Hoover	Sat., Mar. 23, 6 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island (Due Thursday Island, 4th April)	Reg.	Sat., Mar. 23, 10 a.m.
Letters for "Bandoeng-Amsterdam"	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 23, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail Service.	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 22, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Mar. 23, 9 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 22, 5 p.m.	Letters, Mar. 23, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 10th April)	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 23.
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Parcels	Mar. 22, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels, Mar. 22, 6 p.m.
Reg.	Mar. 23, 9 a.m.	Reg., Mar. 23, 9.45 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 23, 10 a.m.	Letters, Mar. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	Sat., Mar. 23, 11.45 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe" via Amire Lebon	Letters	Sat., Mar. 23, 12.30 p.m.
Siberia.	Letters	Sat., Mar. 23, 4.30 p.m.
	Sunday.	
Foochow via Swatow	Hohow	Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwaiyang	Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
	Monday.	
Foochow via Swatow	Yunnan	Mon., Mar. 25, 12.30 p.m.
	Tuesday.	
*Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Tues., Mar. 26.
Parcels	Mar. 25, 5 p.m.	Letters, Mar. 26, 8.30 a.m.
Batavia	Tilkaroon	Tues., Mar. 26, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for "Bandoeng-Amsterdam"	Aramis	Tues., Mar. 26.
Mail Service.	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 26, 9.30 a.m.	Reg., Mar. 26, 10 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 26, 9.30 a.m.	Letters, Mar. 26, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. Aramis	Letters	Tues., Mar. 26.
and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 22nd April)	Letters	Tues., Mar. 26.
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 26, 10 a.m.	Reg., Mar. 26, 10.45 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 26, 11 a.m.	Letters, Mar. 26, 11.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Hohow, Pakhoi and G. G. Paul Doumer	Tues., Mar. 26, 1 p.m.	
Haiphong	Haiyang	Tues., Mar. 26, 2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Munam	Tues., Mar. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Straits	Tainan	Tues., Mar. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and "Europe" via Yasukuni Maru	Siberia.	Tues., Mar. 26, 5 p.m.
	Wednesday.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Agamemnon	Wed., Mar. 27.	
East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 25th April)	Wed., Mar. 27.	
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Mar. 27, 8.45 a.m.
Letters	Mar. 27, 9 a.m.	Letters, Mar. 27, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for "Bandoeng-Amsterdam"	Air Canton	Wed., Mar. 27.
Mail Service.	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg.	Mar. 27, Noon	Reg., Mar. 27, 12.30 p.m.
Letters	Mar. 27, Noon	Letters, Mar. 27, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Mar. 27, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Tainan	Wed., Mar. 27, 3.30 p.m.
	Thursday.	
Saigon	Maunang	Thurs., Mar. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thurs., Mar. 28, 4.30 p.m.
	Friday.	
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Yochow	Fri., Mar. 29, 1 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Polk	Fri., Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
	Sunday.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow	Sun., Mar. 31, 9 a.m.

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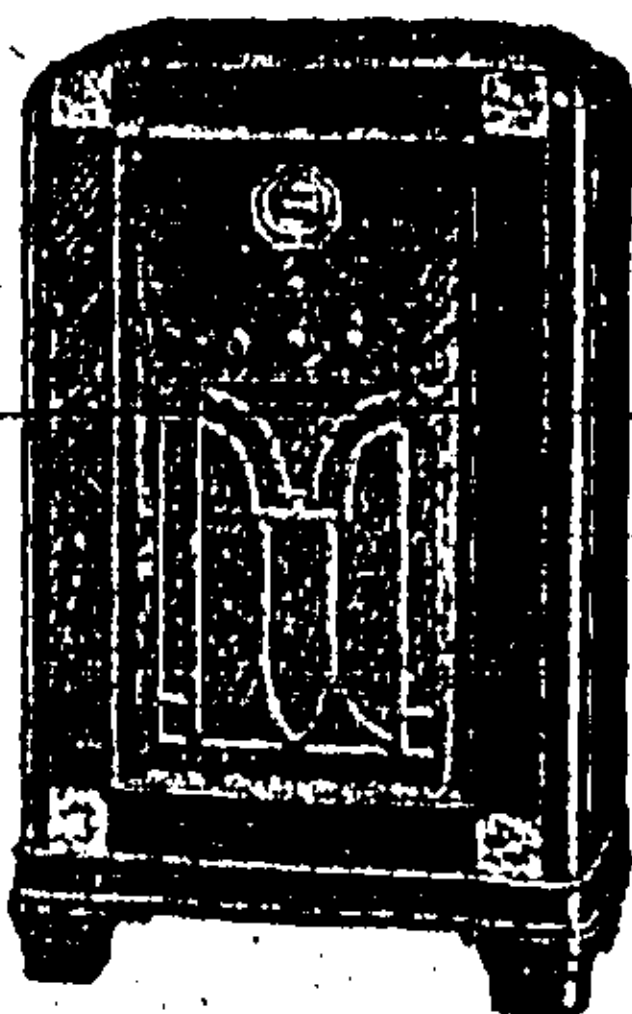
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FRIDAY, MAR. 22, 1935.

WHY GERMANY
ACTED

Although the irregularity of Germany's action in unilaterally denouncing the Versailles Treaty is beyond question, it is essential to an understanding of the situation that note should be taken of the considerations on which it is based. First and foremost, Germany takes her stand on the words in Part V of the Treaty which read: "In order to render possible the initiation of a general limitation of the armaments of all nations, Germany undertakes strictly to observe the military, naval and air clauses which follow." The contention is that Germany's agreement to disarm was conditional, that certain of the signatories of the Treaty have taken no steps to implement their promise, and, consequently, Germany sees no reason why she should be held to her obligations. The fact that the other Powers did contemplate disarming is beyond dispute. Proof of this can be found, apart from the terms of the Treaty, in a communication which the Allied and Associated Powers addressed to the German peace delegates before they signed the Treaty, in which it was stated that "The Allied and Associated Powers wish to make it clear that their requirements in regard to German armaments were not made solely with the object of rendering it impossible for Germany to resume her policy of military aggression; they are also the first steps towards that general reduction and limitation of armaments which they seek to bring about as one of the most fruitful preventives of war, and which it will be one of the first duties of the League of Nations to promote." It is well to remember also that leading statesmen of the nations victorious in the Great War have again and again acknowledged the moral and legal obligation to general disarmament. To cite only two instances, M. Paul Boncour, speaking at the Preparatory Disarmament Commission in 1927, stated that the real value of Part V of the Versailles Treaty was that it was a duty, "a moral and legal obligation on all who signed the document, to attend to the general limitation of armaments"; while Viscount Cecil, in the House of Lords a year earlier, declared "there is no doubt that the international

NOTES OF THE DAY

WILL CHINA FOLLOW?

While the eyes of the world are upon Europe, Belgium, as was once before the case, occupies a central position on the stage and part, at least, of the spotlight's radiance. Her neutrality, in this case, has nothing to do with the drama of politics. But her currency, and her future fiscal policy, may have much to do with the economic peace of Europe, at least. Belgium, like China, is in need of wider export markets. As a staunch member of that group of nations which has adhered consistently to the gold standard, her currency has been tied to theirs, but there is now a very good chance that Belgium may devalue, and link the belga with the pound. Such a union would necessitate a divorce from the Gold Bloc currencies, and, according to expert opinion, might result in a complete dissolution of the so-called Gold Bloc. China, meanwhile, is endeavouring to expand her export trade by less radical methods and yesterday announced a reduction of taxes on certain exportable commodities. Like Belgium, China has all along denied that she would devalue her dollar; but unlike Belgium, she cannot change her policy with a change of Government. China's Government keeps the saddle up matter what its policy may be or how its currency for monetary evils affect the country. Whether Nanking manages to navigate the white water in which the country is at present labouring, or not; and whether Nanking's leaders will be safe from the wrath of an electorate, if not from criticism.

PROGRESS AND LAUGHTER

The odd thing about the report which has reached the English press that laughter has been forbidden in Russia is that in certain ages of human history it would not have seemed odd at all, any the *Christian Science Monitor*. Laughter is one of the distinguishing marks of men and women, for it is generally agreed that even the laughing hyena really does very little to deserve its name. But in spite of this, laughter and a sense of humour have not always enjoyed the high repute they do to-day. In the ancient nations of the East laughter was apt to be looked upon as undignified; and several Greek philosophers even thought it sinister, a view which prevailed with some English thinkers as recently as the seventeenth century.

DIFFERENT INCLINATION

The fact that such an attitude seems incomprehensible to-day is a measure of the progress humanity has made within recorded time. The reason that laughter is now much more respected than it used to be is simply that men and women of the present age do not always laugh at quite the same things as did their ancestors. Much of the laughter of the past was not, in the phrase of Rupert Brooke, "laughter learnt of friends." As the late C. E. Montague, novelist and dramatic critic, observed, it was largely derisive and unkind, provoked only too often by mental or physical weakness. Fortunately, that kind of laughter becomes rarer with every generation. The contemporaries of Shakespeare found Shylock a comic figure, to be jeered at and baited, but the more considerate sensibilities of to-day discover in him elements of dignity and grandeur. The typical public humorist of the Middle Ages was the court jester, who was generally not a wit, but a butt, to be laughed at. The typical public humorist of to-day is someone like Will Rogers or Mr. P. G. Wodehouse, who laughs at us and our follies. Thus in progress registered in the laughs of men.

obligation to reduce armaments is defined at all points." Further quotations could be cited to the same effect. It is true that the undertaking given by the Allies was in no sense so specific as that agreed to by Germany, but that fact does not make it any less binding. The point to be kept in mind is that Germany cannot be held to be solely to blame for the present situation, which is the outcome, in part, of the Powers' failure to discharge their promise. These facts need emphasising at the moment. They do not, of course, justify Germany's unilateral action—based on an utterly indefensible argument that because others have not fulfilled their pledge, Germany is therefore entitled to ignore hers—but they do explain the circumstances which have impelled the step now taken.

ONE OF AMERICA'S
GREAT MENBy KEES VAN HOEK
(In The Christian Science Monitor)

THERE are two sides to every public man. Everyone knows, or can imagine, Frank B. Kellogg in the glamour of his position as a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague. Not so many know him as a private person. In that magnificent Court-Hall of the Peace Palace an ever-fresh wave of emotion ripples among spectators when the usher pronounces the magical words, "La Cour," followed by the entry of those judges who do not summon before them mere individuals, but who summon the nations themselves. Mr. Kellogg is one of the smallest in stature amongst the imposing row of his world-eminent colleagues, but no head stands out more markedly than his above the distinguished sobriety of the ruffled lace over the black velvet and silken robes.

And he is a burgher of The Hague now. I once saw the Senator in the front of the simple palace of the Queen-Mother springing to attention as a magnificent limousine rolled up in front of the terrace. Almost before the car had stopped a short square figure had worked itself out of the cushions, had alighted and, without waiting for flunkies to throw open the door, which stood ajar, Frank Kellogg, citizen of the United States, had found his way in unattended.

One morning I sat opposite him in his small but luxuriously furnished study in the Peace Palace. There the former Senator, former Ambassador and former Secretary of State, now works. The Assembly of the League of Nations in September, 1930, by a unanimous vote, made him a Judge of the World Court.

Mr. Kellogg is a typical man of the New World. His distinguished, untanned face has a very individual beauty, though it probably would not meet the classic standards of old Hellas. There is strength in his mouth, his light blue eyes are irresistible and his white silky hair spins a halo of distinction above his broad brow.

"I was born in Potsdam," Mr. Kellogg tells me, and, seeing my surprise, he hurriedly adds: "not the Potsdam near Berlin, but a little town in the State of New York. Soon we moved to St. Paul in the state of Minnesota, and I lived there now for more than sixty years; yes, and loved it!" Thus speaks this local patriot.

"But your career almost constantly called you away from your home town," I remarked.

"All that you can find in 'Who's Who in America,'" he answered, waving the question aside. "What will interest you most in my career will be the six years of my Senatorship. Then, from 1923 to 1925, I was Ambassador in London, to become, upon the resignation of Mr. Hughes, Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Coolidge. After four years of office I handed over my task to Mr. Stimson, Mr. Cordell Hull's predecessor. And since," he laughs, "I have more time for my daily round of golf."

"Do I like The Hague? I knew it years ago; it has become a magnificent town, but what I admire most in Holland is the in-

fluence which it has always exercised in the cause of world peace. Holland has been able to do much, thanks largely to her jurists of world-wide reputation."

"What do you think of the international situation nowadays?"

"There can be no doubt that international understanding has constantly progressed, notwithstanding occasional setbacks. The world has dared to take many a step toward arbitration, and has attempted such tasks as it never shouldered before. In this respect the historian can start a totally fresh page."

"On which you have engraved your name for all ages," I add.

Modestly the American statesman amends this remark.

"The Initiative was Brindley," he said. "M. Brindley proposed to me a Treaty between the United States and France through which war between our two countries would be banned forever. That was in March, 1925. I only wanted to bind my country to such a treaty as would ban war with any state, and in August, 1928, fifteen powers signed the pact, to be followed by countless others."

A silence falls. Then Mr. Kellogg continues:

"My pact is not touched in diplomatic phraseology. It is plain language, plainly stating that the high contracting parties will in no circumstances resort to arms, but will solve all their differences in a peaceful way."

I hesitated to touch upon what I fancied might be a tender spot when I referred to the matter of intervention by the United States in Central America, a policy which has always troubled Europe.

"We only protect the lives and property of our citizens," the former Secretary of State explains; and adds: "The situation in Central America grows constantly more stable."

With great emphasis he sums up:

"We have not the slightest desire for conquest of any kind. We are already big enough and no American, whether he lives in New York, in the Middle West or on the Pacific coast ever dreams of annexation or aggrandisement."

"How do you see the future?" I finally inquired.

"There will always be international difficulties and problems, but the nations have to be educated to understand that wars are a barbaric means of solving them. A means, moreover, that is too brutal really to solve any problem. Only by peaceful methods, under international justice and jurisdiction, will the world be able to settle its problems. Towards such education of the nations the churches—and I speak as a convinced Christian—can probably do the best work."

In the marble corridors of the Peace Palace the sun cast broad rays of gold. A long one wall each door carries a world-famous name: Anzilotti, Eysinga, Cecil Hurst, (Continued on Page 4.)

The Very Idea!

DUMB BELLES LETTRES

Compiled by Juliet Lowell
Good News For Pop

"Pop" Warner, Football Coach, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.
Dear Pop Warner:

I am a miner and a very good one; and a very strong one and none of the boys are stronger as me. I can get on my belly and cut out more coal than three boys. I am proud of how strong I am. You need football players, strong ones, especially after you lost those two big games. You never could get a bigger or stronger football player than me and I am even willing to come out to see you. Just wait and see how I crash through the line. Send me the money to come to California and it will make a lot of difference to Stanford and you, Mr. Pop Warner.

Frank M.



You never could get a bigger or stronger football player than me.

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Miss Dorothea Wieck,
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Nobujiro.

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Truly yours,

Mrs. Kay F.
(signed).

SAYINGS OF THE WEEK

I see there is still much discussion as to whether Bacon ever met Shakespeare. Does anyone really care? But I tremble to think of the consequences had Bacon never met Eggs.—Sir Rasher Scramble-ham.

They tell me that the next war will blot out civilisation. I am well content. Civilisation has become synonymous with the triumphs of the canning industry. Canned beef, canned beans, canned Borlotti, canned Bach. . . . Give me a civilisation that can't.—Dean Nohow.

The "modern girl" this—the "modern girl" that—I'm fed to the neck with our moralists. . . . Shall I tell you something? The first moralist was Adam, and the first "modern girl" was Eve. And what use was that to either of 'em?—Dame Putumia-Tooth.



"I wish I knew him better. Should I send him this real pretty picture or the one that makes me look intelligent?"

TROOPS MARCHED TO ANNUAL DONATIONS FRONTIER

(Continued from Page 1.)

basis of the proposed visit that they should be discussed with a view to ultimately reaching a solution by agreement. It was in those circumstances that events occurred at the end of last week to which Mr. Lansbury had referred in such grave and appropriate terms. It had inevitably provoked protests from the British, French and Italian Governments.

A very grave question arose as to the proper course to take. It was obvious that unilateral action inevitably raised a question as to the value of any agreement, and that was bad preparation for a future agreement. But he suggested that the course the Government had tried to take with reference to this most grave event was the wiser one. To refuse to go, to cancel the engagement, would lead nowhere. They therefore demanded an assurance that the scope of the conversations should be in no way restricted.

The present state of suspicion and unrest in Europe could not be allayed without security by negotiation and an agreement on all four matters mentioned, and in those circumstances, having made that reservation and protest, the Government had taken the view that it was necessary and right to continue this business. He offered no observation on the date of the German announcement, but its nature and contents, which threw such a disturbing light on the prospect of settlement by agreement, demanded notice.

LARGE FIGURE

The figure indicated by the declaration of German effectiveness was so large, so considerable an advance over the figures suggested less than a year ago, and indeed excluded what any Power in Western Europe at the present time could match, that it raised grave doubts as to whether, if such figures were persisted in, agreement with some of Germany's neighbours would be possible.

Concluding Sir John Simon said they would go to Berlin determined to do everything Britain could to promote peace and to secure it. The object of British policy had throughout been to help to bring this great State back into the councils of and the comity of Europe, on terms just to her and fair and secure for all, so that she, with her great talent and resources, might contribute, with a full sense of equal status and dignity, to the task which every good European who wanted peace had got to share.—*British Wireless.*

DIPLOMATS MEET

London, Mar. 21. Further consultations on the European situation took place today. Visitors at the Foreign Office included Monsieur Corbin, French Ambassador, and Mr. Ray Atherton, of the United States Embassy.

Mr. Anthony Eden, who will accompany the Foreign Secretary on his visit to Berlin on Sunday, proceeding at its conclusion to Moscow and later visiting Warsaw, has accepted the invitation of the Czechoslovakia Government to spend the morning of April 4 at Prague. He expects to leave for London by aeroplane that afternoon.—*British Wireless.*

LEAGUE MEETINGS

London, Mar. 21. The meeting of the League Council at which the French Government's communication bearing on the recent German decision will be considered, will probably take place early in April. In view of the broad basis upon which the French appeal to the League is made, it is assumed that occasion will be taken for an important discussion of the whole question of European security.—*British Wireless.*

JAPAN'S FLIERS WELCOMED

MISSION OF PEACE TO CHINA

Nanking, March 22. The Tokyo Asahi plane will continue her goodwill flight to Shanghai at noon today, after receiving the warmest welcome here. At a reception held in honour of the Asahi guests at noon yesterday, under the auspices of local newspapers, Mr. Shih Hsin-ko, on behalf of the hosts, that the Chinese press might pay a return air visit to Japan in the near future, while hope was expressed by the Asahi visitors that their flight could be regarded as a trial one for the establishment of a direct civil air service connecting the two nations, thereby achieving closer relations between the two peoples.—*Central News.*

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SCATHING JUDGMENT

CHILD STEALER GETS FIVE YEARS HARD LABOUR

"You are worse than a brute beast. Brute beasts do not take other's young, and that is what you have done."

With this scathing denunciation Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Puisne Judge, passed sentence of five years' hard labour on Cheung Kan, alias Shek Pat (28) a widow, who was found guilty at the Criminal Sessions yesterday of child stealing.

The children concerned were Leung Ki, a 13-year-old girl, and Leung Chik-tung, a boy of three, who were taken from No. 266, Tai Nam Street, on December 12.

Mr. W. J. Lockhart Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Crown and the following jurymen were empanelled: Messrs. S. Hope (Foreman), P. P. Archibald, E. Lewis, Chung Kwai-ting, D. V. Lopes, J. E. J. Walker, and Lee Jick-ling.

It was stated that the girl was carrying the boy on her back to 267, Kilung Street, and was enticed by accused whilst at play.

A report that the children were missing was made to the police and on January 4, as a result of a report by Chinese Constable C360, the father of the boy went to Wahchow City where he identified the children. The defendant was later located in Shaikwan.

Evidence was given by Leung Yik-hong, Leung Ki, Wong Cheuk and Ying Lei-tau.

In defence the accused said her own daughter had been stolen from her.

The jury after a brief retirement returned with a unanimous verdict of guilty.

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended March 21, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s. 11½d.

The Norwegian steamer Childar was pirated at Blas Bay and robbed of goods worth over \$20,000. Captain Nielsen was bound with ropes during the five hours the pirates were in charge of the ship.

The annual ball of the Hongkong Devonian Society was held at the Hongkong Hotel. At the annual meeting held during the evening, Mr. M. S. Northcote was elected President and Mr. Philip Jacks was appointed Hon. Secretary.

Mr. F. H. Baker, who has joined the firm of Ewins and Needham, was admitted a solicitor at the Supreme Court.

Footprints of a tiger were discovered in the garden of the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, on The Peak.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET STRONGER YESTERDAY

New York, Mar. 21. The following reports on the New York stock market have been received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz: The Wall Street Journal report on yesterday's market states: Stocks advanced from one to more than four points, owing to a demand for high grade issues, due to the unconfirmable rumour that the Public Works Administration intends to cease lending money for Municipal power plants; also firstly, due to rumours that the Interstate Commerce Commission will soon raise railroad rates, secondly, the defeat of the La Follette amendment to the Public Works Bill, which would have prohibited the expenditure; and, thirdly, the speech of Mr. Kemmerer in New York, in which he said that the inflation virus was working slowly but powerfully. Bonds were regular and were featured by the demand for United States Government bonds and other high grade issues. Foreign bonds declined. Stocks on the Curb Exchange advanced, due to the strength of utility stocks. Prices on the wheat market advanced, owing to dust storms in spite of heavy profit-taking. S. C. & P. New York office cables: Brokers' Loans have decreased by \$30,000,000. New York and Chicago commodity reports received through Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz: Cotton: Operations to-day largely consisted of professional and ring trading, which had but little significance. Early in the day, shorts covered on the late strength of the Stocks market. There was some apprehension that the Government's ending of Wheat control may extend to the cotton market. The mill outlook continues to be unfavourable, while the textile demand is poor, due to the possibility of the elimination of the Processing Tax. Grains: Wheat: There was heavy profit-taking. Advance Government estimates indicate an increased acreage in nearly all Spring grain crops. Rain is reported at scattered points in Oklahoma. Corn: Heavy and sluggish conditions prevailed on the market. We doubt whether there will be any material improvement on present prices. Rubber: The market appears to be friendless at the moment, but possesses possibilities of a sharp improvement on any clearing up of the foreign outlook.

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

Topical Pictures To-morrow

There will be many pictures of topical interest in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Pictorial Supplement, including groups taken at the weddings of Mr. A. L. Barlow and Miss Irene Trahair; Mr. E. G. Sellars and Miss A. E. MacLeod; Mr. T. C. The and Miss Lily. Sporting pictures will cover the soccer match between Dordwell's and Jardine's, the Wah Tai College sports, and the Mui Fong Girls' School basketball success. Amongst other groups will be one taken at a reception to Maulana Sayed Jamaluddin Jilany, Islamic religious leader, and another showing the Chief Monk of the Big Buddha Temple, Shunghai, with Hongkong followers.

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REUTER QUOTATIONS

The following quotations are by Reuters:	
Dow-Jones-Averages:	
Mar. 20, Mar. 21	
30 Industrials	94.29 99.71
20 Rails	27.72 28.51
20 Utilities	14.97 15.08
40 Bonds	94.53 94.64
11 Commodity Index	55.14 54.30
10 Leading Stocks	
Amer. Smelting	Mar. 21
Auburn	33
Coca-Cola	49.42
El. B. & Sh.	53
Gen. Motors	28½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	63
Montgomery Ward	27½
Nat. Distillers	13½
N.Y. Central	13½
U.S. Steel	28½

CHINA LOAN DISCUSSED

Shanghai, March 22. In a press statement, Dr. H. H. Kung, Finance Minister, reveals that negotiations about the proposed international loan for China have reached a stage where concrete plans are being submitted for consideration between the parties concerned.—*Central News.*

AUSTRALIA'S PREMIER

London, March 21. Mr. J. A. Lyons, Australian Premier, who is on a visit to England in connection with the King's Jubilee, and also for trade discussions, arrived in London this evening.—*British Wireless.*

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz in conjunction with Reuters.

Mar. 20, Mar. 21.

British Government Securities:

War Loan 3½% redm. after 1932 £105½ £105½

Chinese Bonds:

4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Ins.) £101 £100½

4½% Loan 1908 £99½ £99½

5% Loan 1912 £89½ £89

5% Home Loan 1913 (Ldn. Ins.) £97½ £97½

5% Bonds 1925-47 £97 £97

5% Shal-Nanking Rly. £82 £82

5% Tient-Pukow Rly. £34½ £33

5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan) £20 £28

5% Shal-Hichow Ningpo Rly. £101 £101

5% Honan Rly. £31½ £31½

5% Hukwang Rly. £46½ £46

5% Lung-Keing Rly. £18½ £18

Foreign Bonds and Banks:

German 7½ Int. Loan 1924 £70½ £70

Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907 £77 £77

Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924 £90 £90

H.K. & Shai Bank (Ldn. Regd.) £129½ £128½

Chartered Bank £15½ £15½

Commercial and Industrial:

Allied Iron Founders 37½ 36½

Associated Elec. Industries 25/0 26½

Austin Motors ord. sh. 45/3 44/3

Bates 5½ 48½ 47/6

British-American Tobacco 114/4½ 112/6

Canadian Celanese Chinese Eng. and Min. (Bentley) 16/6 16½

China 40/3 40/7½

Distillers 90/9 90½

Dunlop Rubber 47/6 47/3

Electric Musical Industries 28/0 28/3

General Electric (England) 48½ 47/6

Impl. Chem. Ind. 30/3 30/3

Impl. Chem. Ind. Def. 10½ sh. 9¼ 9/3

Impl. Tobacco 132/6 131/3

Internat. Nickel no par val. \$24½ \$24

Rolls-Royce £1 102/9 102/6

Shai Elec. Constr. 46½ 47/6

Tate & Lyle 99/6 100½

Turner & Newall 53½ 52½

United Steel 25/3 25/10½

Watney, Combe & Reid def. ord. 64/6 64/6

Woolworths 5½ 102½ 102½

Miscellaneous:

Anglo-Dutch 21½ 21½

Chubb (Bearer) 20/6 20/6

Gala Kalumpung Rubber 19/0 20½

Pekin Synd. 2½ 1/9 1/9

Turner & Newall 29/3 29/3

Southern Railway (Deferred) £22½ £21¼

Mines:

Burma Corp. Rs. 28/3 28/4½

Chosen Corp. 26/3 26/3

Crown Mines 270½ 271/3

H. A. & Co. in E. 56/6 56/6

Spring Mines 191/3 191/3

Sub-Nigel 277/6 281/3

Van Ryn Deep 59/4½ 59/4½

Oils:

Anglo-Persian 46/3 46/3

Burma Oil 71/10½ 71/3

Shell Trans and Trad. (Bearer) 40/10½ 40/10½

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

New York Cotton:

Mar. 20, Mar. 21.

Closing

March 10.60 10.64/64

July 10.70 10.72/72

October 10.40 10.42/42

December 10.48 10.44/44

January (1936) 10.62 10.46/46

(Spot) 11.00 11.05

New York Rubber:

March 11.00 10.02/02

May 11.11 10.05/05

July 11.24 10.75/75

September 11.38 10.92/92

October 11.44 11.00/00

December 11.04 11.17/17

Total sales—8,025,000 bushels

Chicago Wheat:

May 93½ 94 94¼

July 91½ 91½ 91½

September 91 91¼ 91¼

Wednesday's sales—10,002,000 bushels

Chicago Corn:

May 78½ 78½ 78½

July 74½ 74½ 74½

September 71½ 71½ 71½

Total sales—3,025,000 bushels

Winnipeg Wheat:

May 84½ 84½ 84½

July 84½ 84½ 84½

September 84½ 84½ 84½

Total sales—4 contracts

New York Metals:

Mar. 18, Mar. 21.

Copper-January 44.80

Tin-January 44.80

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Talk on How to Listen To Music

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4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme

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Floriadora (Suntari).

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Lion Rag.

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Russian Rag.

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Ivor Moreton and Dave Kaye.

Vocal—Whispering.

CHAMPIONS V. REST CRICKET: DISCOURTEOUS ACT

CLUB CAPTAINS NOT CONSIDERED UNECESSARY ARRANGEMENT OF MATCH LAST SATURDAY HOW ARMY SECURED RUNNERS- UP HONOURS

(By R. Abbie)

As far as I can make out, the decision to play the Shield winners v the Rest was taken rather at the last moment. Why the authorities who manage the League should have taken such sudden action I do not know, nor do I know if they realized the implication of the action. When the game began there were still three matches undecided and the only logical conclusion is that the authorities consider that the winning of the shield is the only thing that counts.

Personally I cannot agree with that attitude, and I do not think it makes for general interest in the game. To my mind the real interest of the League lies in the order and details of the completed League table—and not merely in the name at the top.

To play that match off before the League programme was finished, with no enquiry as to the views of the captains of the sides with games yet to be played—I speak definitely as regards one of the teams—seems to me to savour somewhat of discourtesy. And again, the removal of two of the Army players on a day when they could not count on several of their regular players owing to military duties might, even against the weakest side in the League, have cost the Army a win, and therewith the position of runners up.

Fortunately for them Garthwaite was in his best form, and, as the Civil Service refused to play sticky cricket, all was well.

A DIFFICULT JOB

I am fully aware that it is a difficult job to run the League and that there may have been some points in favour to the course they took. If it was regarded as a sine qua non that the game should be played on the Club ground I can understand the position as it is awkward about the tennis stand, and also I believe the second eleven have a couple more matches to play at home.

But surely the game could have been played on the 30th March, on the K.C.C. ground? By the way I rather assume that they would lend it anyway I have never known them to refuse to do so yet?

Be all that as it may, however, I still think that every effort should be made to keep up interest in the League. And this rather confirms my view that, in the absence of the League, local cricket would get very ragged after the first half of the season.

THE BIG GAME

There is no doubt, however, that the game itself was a great success. The players—or most of them—managed to get away to make an early start shortly after twelve o'clock, and the Rest of the League waited first.

There was a very short boundary at the Law Courts end, and, as someone put it, a sparrow might have shot down into the stand. The rest made an excellent start though runs did not come too rapidly. Bill Williams was a bit slower than Fincher who was first to go with 31 on the board.

Newsom, who had come into the side for Branwell, got into double figures and then had an awful yaboo at one of Pearce's and was bowled neck and crop.

At this point the Club definitely got on top of the game. For Gosano poked up a very time one to short leg off Dick Ricketts who proceeded to get on with the good work and outed Holland Martin and Walsh very promptly.

Williams had left after Gosano

Americans To Win Grand National

HOME WRITER'S TIP

London, Mar. 21. Follow the Americans, because it is an odd chance that an American horse will win the Grand National, is the advice given by "Galliard", turf expert of the Sunday Chronicle, in summing up the prospects for the great jumping race March 29.

The catch in this seemingly daring statement is, that by a stretch of his imagination, "Galliard" makes the favourite Miss Dorothy Paget's Golden Miller, have American connections.

"I am taking the liberty of regarding Golden Miller as an American," he writes. "It is a virtually American money which bought him."

"His owner, the Hon. Dorothy Paget is a daughter of Lord Queensborough, but I am betraying no domestic secrets in stating that the money which has made her probably the richest woman in Britain came from her mother, a member of the Whitney family."

"Then Miss Paget's cousin, J. H. Whitney, owns 'Thousand II,' who is second favourite to Golden Miller in the Grand National, to say nothing of Double Crossed and Royal Ransom (a doubtful starter)."

AMERICANS DOMINATING

"Add to these other American-owned horses, the Hon. J. B. Snow and Castle Irwell (George H. Bostwick) and you will appreciate the truth of my statement that it is odds-on one of the American horses winning the jumping race."

Amidst from the question of the Grand National, the Americans are already dominating the English jumping season. This is due to several causes, but principally money.

Whitney, Snow, Bostwick, F. Ambrose Clark and his wife, have all paid fairly lavishly for their jumpers, while the British with money prefer spending it on the flat-racing.

Looking back over the big deals since the war, Americans have taken priority. A Belgian millionaire paid \$50,000 for Koko, and A. C. Schwartz paid \$35,000 for Jack Horner a few weeks before he won the Grand National nine years ago. Whitney has made a big score for his Irish importations into England. Royal Ransom, who cost \$25,000, and Thousand II cost most, it is understood.—United Press.

AGA KHAN AND THE DERBY

TIPPED TO WIN CLASSIC

London, Mar. 21.

The chances of His Highness the Aga Khan winning the Derby are estimated at the remarkable short odds of six to four against.

One man alone has already placed \$5,000 to win him \$12,000 if one of the millionaire Indian Prince's entries gets home first in the world's greatest race, to be run at Epsom, June 5.

At present the Aga Khan has five entries in the race. They are Theft, Vennell II, Bahram, Hindoo Holiday and Hairan. It is quite possible that two or three of these will run.

Bahram, a brilliant two-year-old during the last season, is the present Derby favourite at 6-1, and Hairan and Lord Derby's Bobaleigh are generally quoted as 7-1. Ten to one could probably be had about Theft, and very long odds are offered against Vennell II and Hindoo Holiday.

King George has three entries Bonnie Dundee, Marconi and Fairlead, and the American is represented by ten entries. They are Mrs. Chastor Beatty—Plunger and Remorse; Marshall Field's Santorin and J. R. Smith; Mrs. Corlette Glorney—Assignment; Mrs. Washington Singer—Leighon; Mrs. Scott, J. E. Widener—Saint Andrews II; and William Woodland—Spinner, Woolsey II and Fresh Fox.

ENGLAND TO WIN DAVIS CUP

IF PERRY STAYS AN AMATEUR

OPINES BOROTRA

Paris, Mar. 21. Great Britain will retain the Davis Cup if Fred Perry has not joined the professional ranks by July when the Challenge Round should bring together the defender and the Australian, Jean Borotra predicted to the United Press to-day.

"The British and Australian teams are on a par," said this most colourful of tennis players. "But the British will win because they will go into the fray fresh while the Australians will be fatigued after fighting their way through the eliminations which will be one of the toughest in years."

The Basque dismissed the chances of the United States, "which is composed of untried youngsters" and his own country, whom he thinks will be eliminated in the very first round by the Australians.

FRANCE'S TEAM

Borotra who last month won the French indoor singles title for the tenth time, making it the 48th net crown of his career, declared that he would be a member of the French Davis Cup team. He and "Toto" Brugnon, the two remaining members of the original four Musketeers, who brought the Cup to France and kept it there for six consecutive years, will carry the doubles burden once again.

Christian Bouteaux, frail left-hander, and Andre Merlon, who is now recovering from an injured leg, will represent France in the singles. Marcel Bernard, promising left-hander, will be on the squad and play if Merlon is not recovered in time.

Borotra, who has always been a great favourite in the United States, said that he had hoped until the very last moment to participate in the forthcoming U. S. indoor championships but that "business came first."

Turning to the subject of pro tennis, Borotra was of the opinion that the tension between the money players and the "amateur" was slowly being slackened and that sometime "in the far future" he saw the probability of an open tourney along the line of those held at the present time in golf.

"I don't think that any further concessions should be made to the amateurs," he said. "Either an athlete is an amateur or a pro. Perry should not be permitted to act in films and still retain his amateur status. The French Federation, of which I am vice-president, will oppose it. As the motion picture requires a two-thirds majority, I don't see how it will pass the International body."

THE BEST PLAYERS

Asked to pick the best tennis players he ever saw in action, Borotra picked without hesitation, Bill Tilden, Norman Brookes, Henri Cochet and Rene Lacoste. These four, he said, were about equal with no preference to be shown.

He deliberately left Ellsworth Vines of California out of the list. "Vines may eventually take his place among the greatest net stars of all time," he said, "but he is still young and hasn't had the time to establish his right to that claim. He has the best service I have ever seen and his execution of his strokes is marvellous. He must still show improvement and his ability as a fighter before I will place him in my list of the really great."

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Rain Stops Tennis Championship

FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR

For the first time since the tournament started nearly three weeks ago, rain yesterday prevented any matches from being played in the open tennis championships at the Cricket Club.

The curtailment, however, was distinctly unfortunate as it has affected the scheduled programme in the open doubles which the organisers are hoping to conclude on Thursday next.

Prospects of the programme being resumed to-day are not at all happy. Rain this morning has left the courts very heavy and if there is any further severe fall it will be impossible for Tauli Wai-pui and Ho Ka-lau to play off their match.

Another game which would be affected to-day is the third round singles between E. C. Fincher and L. Wai-tong. The winner of this enters the quarter-finals and meets S. A. Runnham, most serious challenger for the title.

The stand court is already fully booked for next week, but if no play is possible to-day, the schedule will have to be revised, and it is possible the open doubles cannot be sufficiently advanced before Captain Manners leaves the Colony on Friday.

C.R.C. "AT HOME" TO-MORROW

Exhibition Tennis Arranged

With arrangements complete for a very entertaining afternoon, all that the Chinese Recreation Club now require for their annual "At Home" to-morrow is fine weather.

Lady Southern will be present to present the Tennis League trophies won by the club and the prizes won by competitors in the club tournaments.

The programme starts with an exhibition mixed doubles match between L. Goldman and Miss Hancock (holders of the Mixed Doubles Championship of the Colony) and Tauli Wai-pui (Singles Champion) and Mrs. J. F. Kayl (Ladies' Champion). This is at 3.30 and it will be followed by the prize distribution, after which tea and refreshments will be served.

The C.R.C. have again issued a large number of invitations and it is to be hoped that as many as possible will attend this function which is always of a most pleasant nature.

MANGIN WINNER OF TENNIS TITLE

Indoor Championship for Third Time

New York, Mar. 17. Gregory Mangin defeated Berkeley Bell of New York in the final round of the Men's National Indoor Tennis Tournament yesterday to regain the title which he had held during 1932 and 1933 but lost to Lester Stiefen of California, last year.

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swing. Englishmen are hitters; Americans swingers."

To emphasise his point, Scott recalled an occasion when he was playing with R. T. Jones at Royal St. George's. On a tee nearly preparing to drive, Jones was asked if he recognised the player, but was not able to do so. Scott then told him who the player was, whereupon Jones said: "But you can't see his face from this distance."

"No, but I recognise his style of hitting, just as I would recognise any other member of the British team," Scott replied. Asked if he would recognise any of the American players from the same distance, Jones admitted that it would not be possible, adding the significant observation, "Because they all swing alike."

Scott is of the opinion that hard work has done a good deal of harm to British golf. "Every player," he declares, "has tried to copy some past master, such as Vardon, Taylor, Ray, (Continued on Page 9).

TO-MORROW'S RACING PROSPECTS DISCUSSED: GOOD ENTERTAINMENT PROMISED

SMALL FIELDS EXPECTED IN SOME OF THE EVENTS

(By "Captain Foster").

The second race meeting on Saturday promises to produce some close finishes, especially in the Empire Handicap if Herod is an absentee.

COMMONWEALTH HANDICAP

One and a quarter miles.—On his last running, The Tiger should go very close to winning this race, although he has to carry an additional 5 lbs. making 165 lb. In all, Jungle Jim was two lengths behind him in the Hongkong Handicap, "B" Division, carrying 156 lbs. He carries the same weight to-morrow and is therefore in receipt of 9 lbs from The Tiger. We should see an interesting race between them for premier honours, and I am inclined to support Jungle Jim for a win. Both should, I think, be placed. Mayflower and Don (if started here) appear to be the best of the other entries. I cannot see an "outsider" scoring.

UNION PLATE

Six Furlongs.—In the Tytam Handicap, "A" Division, Propitious Time ran third to Invermark and Wandbridge, beaten by 2 lengths and 3/4 lengths in 2-04 3/5, and Double Chance could not have been more than a neck further away. On this performance I feel that this race rests between them. On his past running, however, they would appear to be a decided "if" about Double Chance, and for this reason I suppose I should say that Propitious Time is to be preferred. I do so half-heartedly. Double Chance has speed and should be made up his mind to gallop he could win very easily. I watched him most carefully last time out and came to the conclusion that I could not say he was not a "tryer" because he finished strongly and was actually going faster than the ponies which were ahead of him.

The Deemster should, I fancy, be amongst the placed ponies. I thought Valley View unlucky to lose to Belmont Star in the "B" Division of the Tytam Handicap. The time taken for that race was 2-10 and I therefore fear that he may find himself outclassed when racing against the above mentioned three ponies.

From Two Mile post etc.—There is a rumour that Herod may not start to-morrow. If he does he should win, but in his absence, I make the race very open. Rose Queen has the best credentials of the other entrants but she will be hard put to finish ahead of Gold Coin, Harvest View, High Honour and King's Jubilee. The last named pony, on performances, may be considered her most dangerous rival. Mistake Bay would have been a serious contender but I gather he will be a non-starter.

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ROSEHILL HANDICAP

HONGKONG BAY HANDICAP

One and a quarter miles.—Ribble is my fancy for this race although he is carrying 17 lbs more weight than he did on the last occasion. Weight I think will stop Hotman from winning. I prefer the chances of his stable companion, King's Bounty, of the two. Soldier of Germany is going well at the present time and may finish amongst the placed ponies.

ROSEHILL HANDICAP

One mile.—High Finance could not have been born under a lucky star. Since his arrival here he must have started over a dozen times, and his record to date is one win, and a second, stakes won amounting to \$750 only, and yet he has been given the honour of carrying top weight (163 lbs) to-morrow. I am afraid that I have not an exalted opinion of him and

therefore expect him to be among the "also ran" category after the race. Woodland Stag, I fear, has seen his best days. Mutiny Bay with 139 lbs strikes me as being most dangerous and I have a feeling that the race will be between her and Alacrity. For an upset we must look to two of our new importations, namely—Goldsmith and Snowy River.

DOMINION HANDICAP

From the Two Mile post etc.—I understand that neither Seventh-tenth of September nor The Chetah will be starting in this race and I am told that their recognised jockey, Mr. Frost, will most probably be riding Wadebridge. Mrs. Pearce's pony will not, in consequence, find the opposition too formidable and should therefore win this race. Sci-Fa is, I think, a sound each-way bet. Gold Picker and Inevitable Knight should not be ignored. On his last running Invermark has a very good chance.

COLONIAL STAKES

One mile.—For this race I prefer the chances of Ythan, but I realize that Soldier of Victory will be his chief danger and may possibly beat him. In any case, I think we shall see an interesting race between these two animals. Either Ace of Aces or a "View" pony is my fancy for the third position.

EMPIRE HANDICAP

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TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP

From Two Mile post etc.—Iron Gray is expected to enter away with this event. Limestone, if started here, will be my choice. We cannot, however, overlook Great Hall, Philanderer and Solar Star. We should see a good race.

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BRITISH AND U.S. GOLFERS

(Continued from Page 8).

Braid, and Herd, and, as a consequence, has developed an old-fashioned style. Take these five men and add Duncan and Jack White, and you have seven absolutely different styles of golf. The British captain-blames much of our indifference to golf on erroneous pictures of Vardon showing him at the finish of the swing with the club over the left shoulder.

"Vardon did not finish that way," Scott declares. "His swing was extremely upright, and he finished with the club straight up in the air—a quarter follow-through as it is called in America. Then he dropped the club over his shoulder as a sort of afterthought. I have seen many good golfers attempt to adapt the Vardon swing to a finish over the shoulder; it can't be done."

However, Scott believes that Englishmen are gradually turning to more modern playing methods, American victories in British championships being largely responsible. Among the younger professionals there are, says Scott, many fine swingers. Cotton and Padgham being typical examples. Despite Cotton's victory in the open, Scott rates Padgham higher.

"The great golfer of all," Scott adds, "is Bobby Jones, his Grand Slam—the four open championships in one year—being the greatest individual feat. Vardon was the better shot-maker, but he lacked the conclusiveness of Jones. If Vardon been an amateur he would, I think, have run up the greatest string of victories in history."

CONCENTRATING ON PUTTING
Scott, who was persuaded to say something about himself, said he won

the British championship two years ago, at the age of fifty-five, because he had just learned to putt. Having aged in the wood, so to speak, he found his long game receding. He decided, therefore, that if there were any hope of keeping his score below the century mark, he must concentrate on and improve his putting.

"I found that by standing closer to the ball and swinging in true pendulum fashion I obtained much better results. Anyhow, it won the little prize for me, together with a start at practice two months earlier than usual. But no more championships for me; I guess I am getting old. And I would not like to be non-playing captain of the Walker Cup team of 1936." In spite of his protestations at being too old I think we shall see this modest, stately golfer, who certainly belies his fifty-seven years, competing in this year's championship at Lytham and St. Anne's. The tour in Australia, during which the members of the team scarcely had a moment's respite from playing, was conclusive evidence of Scott's physical fitness.

Winner of the Manila City Cup (Ladies) and former prominent player in Los Angeles and Southern California, Helen Marlowe arrived in Shanghai from Manila in the President McKinley, to await her husband, Ensign W. J. Dimitrijevic.

Comdr. H. A. Facker, executive officer of H.M.S. Kent and a well-known lawn tennis player in Hongkong, visited the Siam Club, Bangkok, and played a match with the Singles Champion, Maung Toeng, recently. The champion lost the first set 7-5, but won the second 6-1 and the third 6-0.

TENSE SCENES AT SOCCER MATCH

Germans Sing National Song in Paris

Paris, March 17.

The tense situation which has developed between France and Germany, following the Reich's avowed intention to re-arm, in open violation of the Treaty of Versailles, was unmistakably indicated when the two countries met in an Association football match here today.

Germany beat France by three goals to one, much to the disappointment of the crowd of 45,000, nearly all of whom were supporters of the home team. The spectators listened in frigid silence while the Germans sang "Deutschland Ueber Alles" and then responded enthusiastically with the stirring strains of the "Marseillaise."

PERRY RUMOURS

Tennis Champion Again In the News

The possibility of Fred Perry turning professional in the immediate future is again before the public eye. To-day, Bill O'Brien, the promoter of the now famous Tilden tennis circus, reiterated his expectation that Perry, England's No. 1 player and present holder of the Wimbledon title, would turn professional within a few days. —United Press.

A PROBLEM IN RUGBY

THE "BENT PASS" AT CARDIFF

WINDY POINT FOR LEGISLATORS

By Clem Lewis

Practically all Rugby followers are fond of discussing knotty points of law in our great game. Here is one that arose from a recent contest between Cardiff and Newport.

Harry Rees, a Cardiff forward, threw out a long pass to his wing, Reardon, who was standing behind him. There is no question about the pass being properly delivered, for Rees threw it backwards. After the pass had travelled some yards, and whilst still in the air, the wind caught it and carried it definitely forward, in front of Rees and Reardon.

He ran forward to gather the ball, overran it, but getting back pushed it up and sent it along to Brown, a centre, who scored a try.

THE POINT AT ISSUE

That this was the only score of the game, and so decided the issue, adds piquancy to this most interesting problem.

The point at issue is was the pass a forward pass or not, and, on point of law, did Newport suffer an injustice? For the sake of lucidity I append the following diagram:

The definition of a throw-forward is our first test, which reads: "A throw-forward occurs when the ball is propelled by the hand or arm of a player in the direction of his opponent's dead ball line."

I do not like a lawyer-like attitude when interpreting the laws of Rugby football, preferring to interpret them by that unwritten law which we call the spirit of the game.

Even lawyer-like, however, I am inclined to rule that it was not a forward pass, according to the letter of the law. Rees himself did not propel the ball by hand or arm towards his opponent's dead ball line, for, you observe, his pass was clearly delivered backwards to the expectant Reardon.

The wind is no human agency, and the pranks it plays in, in golfing parlance, a rub of the green.

WHAT THEY FORGOT

Newport supporters claimed that if you allow the pass delivered by Rees to be a correct one, someone standing in front of Rees could take that "bent" pass and carry on with the attack. But they forgot that under such a set of conditions the Cardiff player who accepted this "bent" pass would be standing offside when the pass was given, and so ruled out under the law regarding offside.

So far in international Rugby this season we have had two referees, Heston of Ireland, and Allen of Scotland. It is an exaggeration to state that in attitude towards, and interpretation of, the laws of the game as laid down by the International Board, they are poles apart.

The Irishman has adopted a kind of happy-go-lucky attitude, particularly regarding laws pertaining to the scrum—a desire to get on with the game. The Scotsman, on the other hand, has been a stickler for the laws in their entirety, and has been dubbed by someone as the "penalty-goal king."

AN EARNEST PRAYER

Though the national qualities of these two referees have perhaps played their part, it is not a full answer to their divergencies in execution. That the laws are so loosely worded is partly responsible, and that the scrum laws are so intricate and, maybe, inefficient, also plays a big part.

Many Rugby men are praying for a simple universality of law, particularly a straightforward statement of what a forward can and cannot do with his feet in a scrum.

The International Board would be well advised to aim at far greater simplicity forgetting all their previous efforts, which forced on referees the impossible task of watching a dozen feet in a split second.

Welshmen are keenly awaiting the appointment of the referee for their final game with Wales, for even between a Scotsman and an Englishman's interpretation there is sufficient difference to change the fortune of a game.

CHAMPIONS V. REST CRICKET; A DISCOURTEOUS ACT

Club Captains Not Even Considered

(Continued from Page 8).

Pincher was going to be away from the Kowloon side, but even so I was not entirely sure that Craigengower would not pull off another win.

Omar was playing for them and though he did not come off with the ball he got a nice 25 when C.C.C. needed 17 runs to win and had four wickets to get them with. I have been unable to get any reliable account of the game but I gather that K.C.C., who were playing three men at least who are not regular members of their second team, collapsed after a moderate start.

A. T. Lee, I am told bowled very well for Craigengower (15-7-23-7) while his brother had 11-5-1-46-7 for the home side.

JUNIOR LEAGUE

The result of the match between the second elevens of these teams was much the same, as again the K.C.C. batting failed.

In the other game—a very low scoring one—R.A.M.C. managed to beat the Recoils.

TO-MORROW'S GAMES

It will be interesting to see how many of to-morrow's games will be played! I.R.C. are at home to the Club, while Craigengower travel to Pokfulam—both friendlies.

The only league match of which I have information is the one in the Junior League where H.K.C.C. are at home to the R.A.M.C. who will have both their cranks available. There should be a very good game.

As regards friendlies the Police, C.C.C., Recoils, Navy and C.S.C.C. are at home to the R.A.S.C., University, Queen's College, St. Joseph's and Stock Exchange respectively. Seeing there is a Race-meeting I don't mind having an even ten cents that the latter game is not played.

Tainan, Mar. 18.

Miss Wang Shu-ying, a high school girl, won the 5000 metre cross country run for women yesterday afternoon in 20 min. 30 sec. Several thousand enthusiastic spectators cheered as she crossed the finishing line ahead of seven other girls. Niu Hung-yu finished first in the men's cross country race of the same distance, and his time was 16 min. 55 sec. Forty seven took part in the men's race. —Central News.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES

Curtailed Programme For Week-End

There is to be but a curtailed programme of league football matches over the week-end in Hongkong. On Sunday the Army are meeting China in the Kowloon Charity Cup Competition.

The following is the official week-end programme as issued by the Hongkong Football Association:

TO-MORROW

First Division

(Kick Off at 3 p.m.)

St. Joseph's v. Chinese Athletic (Caroline Hill). Referee: J. H. Lawrence.

Second Division

(Kick Off at 3 p.m.)

Chinese Athletic v. University (Club Ground). Referee: Ip Kai-ko.

SUNDAY

Kowloon Cup

(Kick Off at 4 p.m.)

China v. The Army (Navy Ground, Causeway Bay). Referee: G. Shalbrook; Lineamen, Sgt. Major Chapman and R. M. Omar.

The case returns of the St. John Ambulance New Territories Branch for February give a total of 5,002 new cases, with a grand total of 11,650, of which 145 were maternity cases. Vaccination is in progress at all centres, the demand for this being greater than for several years.

SPORT ADVTS.

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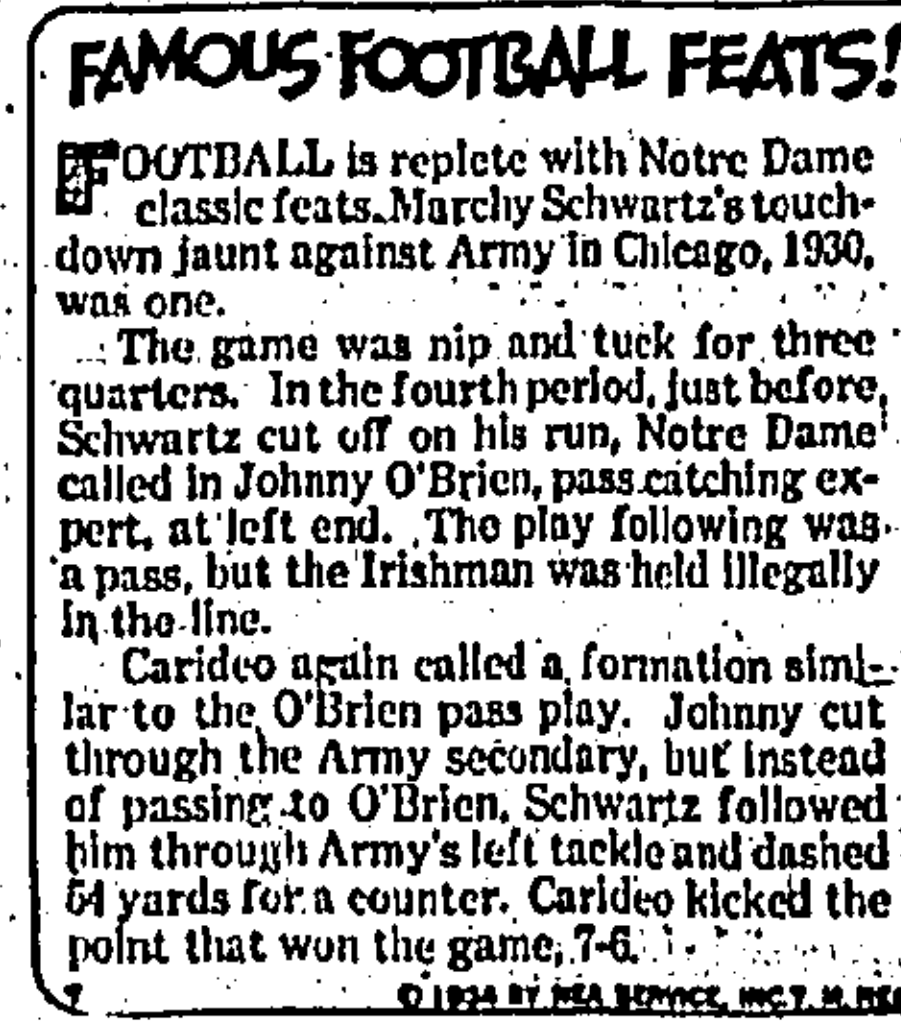
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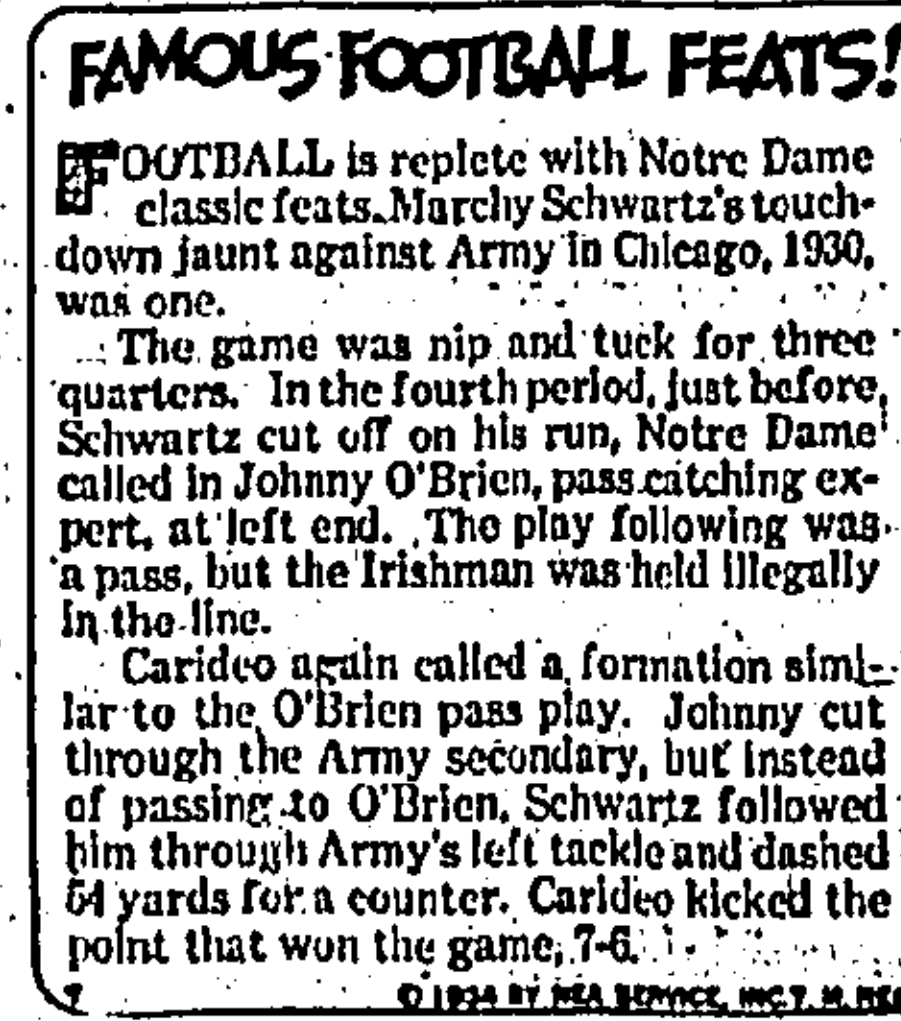
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SERIAL STORY

SILKEN SPINDLES

by Luna Lu Brookman

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

GALE HENDERSON, pretty and 23, works in a silk mill. She and her 19-year-old brother, PHIL, support their invalid father.

STEVE MEYERS who also works in the mill asks Gale to marry him. She promises to give him an answer in a few days. Gale goes skating, breaks through the ice and is rescued by BRIAN WESTMORE, whose father, now dead, built the mill. Brian has come home after two years in Paris to enter the mill. Gale disappears before he learns her name.

VICKY THATCHER, daughter of ROBERT THATCHER, general manager of the mill, schemes to capture Brian.

Gale goes on an errand for a neighbour, MRS. O'CONNOR, which takes her into the country. It is a stormy night and she misses the return bus.

CHAPTER XXII

The coupe came to a stop and the door opened. A man's voice called, "Want a ride east? No glad to take you."

Gale stepped forward. She couldn't stand there in the sleet and cold for four hours. That was a mean trick. "I want to get home," she said. "I missed the bus."

"Yes, I saw the driver pull away and leave you. All at once the man was out of the car, coming toward her. "Why, Gale Henderson?" he exclaimed. "I didn't know it was you! What in the world are you doing here?"

Gale looked up at Brian Westmore. She hoped he would think it was the cold that made her lips tremble as she said, "I didn't know I didn't recognize you either."

"But you mustn't stand here shivering. Here—get into the car." He helped her into the coupe, and a moment later was beside her. "Say, I'm glad I came along just when I did," he went on. "It's a rotten afternoon—you shouldn't be out in it."

Gale smiled. "Believe it or not, mister," she said, "I was waiting for a bus—and I'd have had quite a wait, too. The next one isn't due until 8.30."

He said, concerned, "You're cold, aren't you? Take my coat."

She shook her head. "Oh, no," she said. "I'm warm now. Really I am! Tell me, do you always go around rescuing maidens in distress? I believe this is the second time you've saved me from an icy death."

Brian laughed. "As a career," he said, "I can't think of anything I'd like better than rescuing maidens in distress. Would you give me a letter of recommendation or testimonial?"

"Certainly would. Any time you want it."

They drove in silence for a few moments. Then Brian asked, "Have you given up skating? I've been out once or twice and looked for you but I didn't see you."

"I've been busy," Gale told him.

"So he'd missed her. He'd looked for her," Gale went on, without raising her eyes. "Besides, I thought the ice was too soft."

"It has been the last day or two. This sleet and wind will probably make it so rough it will be ruined. That's the trouble with skating on a river. A week or so of smooth ice is about all you can hope for all winter."

"Thin Man" and "Evilyn Prentice." Cast as a young Park Avenueite who leads the procession in a mad whirl of gay living, Miss Crawford has been finally given the chance to do the real comedy characterization for which her legion of admirers have long waited. Gale, fresh from his recent triumph with Miss Crawford in "Chained," this time plays the role of a man who returns from a distant part of the world to marry Joan, only to find that she is about to face the altar with another. To Montgomery, the rival, falls the kind of part in which the hit-the-sky young bouncer whom you should lose patience with and can't. A brilliant cast was gathered to support the stellar trio. Billie Burke plays the liberty-loving society matron, a role reminiscent of her striking portrayal in "Dinner at Eight." Charles Butterworth is seen as Gale's right-hand man who always says the wrong thing at the right time. Frances Drake, the former London night club star, plays the part of a woman who tries to break up the Crawford-Montgomery romance. Others in supporting roles include Ronald Russell, Tom Ricketts, Arthur Treacher and Greta Meyer. Adrian, M-G-M's style expert, has created a wardrobe of gowns for Miss Crawford which promises to outshine any of the creations in which she has appeared before. Twenty different costumes

Gale said, "Yes. Last year there wasn't any."

"That so? Last year—" The words broke off as they turned a corner. Brilliant electric lights gleamed ahead. "Listen," Brian said, "let's have some sandwiches and coffee. I'm starved and you wouldn't keep a starving man from food, would you?"

"No, I wouldn't want to do that."

Brian turned into the drive before the lighted building. Wind howled and the sleet stung her face as Gale stepped from the car. Laughing, running, Blue Moon Bar-B-Q was a long, low structure with a counter running the length of the room. Its surface was polished and scrupulously clean. Brian and Gale were the only customers. They sat on high stools before the counter and a youth in a white coat and cap brought them, in a twinkling, cups of coffee and thick, hot sandwiches.

"Mustard?" the youth behind the counter asked.

"No—no mustard," Gale told him. The sandwiches were appetizing, the coffee delicious. As it was fragrant. The warm, brightly-lighted room, after the storm outside, seemed a haven of comfort.

"Going to be a bad night," the boy behind the counter volunteered. "Got far to go?" Brian told him.

"Not far," Brian told him. The youth moved toward the opposite end of the counter and set to work once more on the crossword puzzle he had abandoned.

Gale said, "I didn't know I was hungry but I certainly must have been."

"Good!" Brian set down his cup. "This place is all right. I've stopped here before." He paused, then went on, "You know you seem to have a way of disappearing into thin air. I was beginning to think I'd never see you again."

"I've been busy," Gale said for the second time, "but I could say as much."

His tone made the girl turn to look at him. "Why?" she said. "Is anything the matter?"

"Oh, I guess not. Only things aren't working out the way I thought they would. Maybe it's my fault. He frowned. "I wish you'd tell me something."

He told her about the pension plan he had worked out and after he had finished asked, "What do you think of it? Would the men and women at the mill like it?"

"I'm sure they would. I think it's wonderful."

"Really? Say, that's the first word of encouragement I've had. Thatcher and everybody else I've talked to has had some criticism. They say the plan isn't practical. Well, if it isn't practical, I think a man who's worked in the mill—15 or 20 years ought to have some feeling of security. He ought to have something to show for his work beside just a bare living. If he's been a good, faithful employee it's no more than his right and the company should guarantee it to him."

"What does Mr. Thatcher say about that?"

"Well, he was pretty vague. He are shown, forecasting next season's styles.

"The Affairs of Cellini"

If you're in the entertainment market for a landslide of laughs, you've a rare treat in store in "The Affairs of Cellini," starring Constance Bennett and Fredric March, showing to-day at the King's Theatre. The film, which makes its debut under Joseph M. Schenck and Darryl F. Zanuck's 20th Century banner, as the fiery, passionate 16th Century Florentine goldsmith and lover, Bonaventura Cellini, is again the madcap Impetuous March. "The Royal Family." The film, which Bess Meredith adapted from Edwin Justus Mayer's New York stage hit, "The Firebrand," which was, in turn, based on the sensationalist Frank. "Autobiography," concerns itself with the golden-age players include Robert Young, Betty Furness, Russell Hardie and Stuart Erwin. Also there are those dependable artists, Leo Carrillo and Ted Healy, with William Tannen and Robert Livingston completing the cast. The picture is swift-moving, zippy, and invigorating. It thrives with the college spirit, for it is a film of the college rather than of football, with a well-told story, well-directed scenes and with a well-balanced cast.

"Looking For Trouble"

Spencer Tracy and Jack Oakie have some highly exciting adventures into danger, love and comedy in "Looking For Trouble," the 20th Century picture which opened at the Star Theatre to-day. The two telephone girls who are their sweethearts, and incidentally the cause of many of their more humorous escapades, are played by Constance Bennett and Fredric March. Others in supporting roles include Ronald Russell, Arline Judge. Tracy and Oakie have a series of thrilling adventures as telephone lineamen when they run afoul of wire-tappers and gangsters engaged in engineering a bank robbery. It is also a part of their "job" to keep the communication lines open

seems to think the idea is all right, but it wouldn't work out. I don't know why it wouldn't, though."

For half an hour they discussed details of Brian's project. Brian argued eagerly, enthusiastically. Now and then the girl interrupted with a question or suggestion. The coffee on the counter before them cooled. The youth in the white coat gave up his cross-word puzzle, half-finished, and hurried himself in a magazine.

Suddenly Gale caught sight of the clock on the wall. "Oh," she said, "It's almost 5:30! I mustn't stay any longer. I had no idea it was so late."

"We'll go," Brian agreed, "as soon as we have some hot coffee."

Five minutes later they were on the road again. The sleet had stopped, but the road was crusted with ice. Wind whipped about the car, its whining voice rising now and then, shrill and high-pitched.

Brian said, "Can't make much speed on a road like this. We'll have to go slowly."

They went slowly. Presently Brian was talking again about the things he hoped to do at the mill. Workers should be sure of employment, with no danger of sudden dismissal. They should have protection against hard times, brought on by illness. As the mill grew and expanded there should be an adjustment of wages so that the men and women who actually did the work should share the prosperity of the owners.

He said, "It's great to talk to someone who'll listen to me. Who doesn't think I've gone off on wild theories. I don't see how anyone could call my theories wild."

"They do, just the same."

"I don't think so," Gale assured him. "Thanks."

He gave her a quick, side-wise glance. She was watching the road ahead. Her chin raised and two curling strands of hair had escaped from her hat to curve against her cheek. She turned then, smiling.

"We're almost there," she said. "Look—there's the light on the water tower."

There was the light on the water tower, which meant that within a few minutes they would be in town. Brian wished they wouldn't be. There were a lot of other things he wanted to talk to this girl about, he suddenly realized. Not about the mill, but about herself. He wanted to know her better. A lot better.

They passed the mill and presently were driving between rows of houses, all exactly alike—the mill workers' homes. Gale said, "You can let me out here anywhere."

"Nonsense! I'm taking you home."

"Then it's the next turn to the left."

The coupe turned left and travelled two blocks. "It's the third house," Gale pointed out. "Yes—third one."

Brian halted the car, got out and opened the door for her. "Well," he said, "it was a piece of luck that I happened to come along when I did. I've been wondering about you."

Gale laughed. "A piece of luck for me? I'd like you to mean that."

"No—for me. But what I want to know now is when am I going to see you again?"

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COUNCIL MEETING

THREE BILLS PASS THROUGH FINAL STAGES

Three Bills passed through their final stages at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, K.C.M.G., K.B.E., presided, and there were also present: His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General O. C. Borrett, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O.;

The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.B.E., C.M.G.); The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.);

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith); The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. E. Taylor);

Hon. Commander C. F. Hale, R.N. (retired), (Harbour Master); Hon. Dr. W. B. A. Moore (Acting Director of Medical and Sanitary Services);

Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson (Director of Public Works); Hon. Mr. M. J. Breen (Postmaster General);

Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C.; Hon. Sir William Shenton, Kt.; Hon. Mr. B. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D.;

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Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau; Mr. R. A. C. North (Deputy Clerk of Councils).

The report of the Finance Committee, No. 4, of March 14, was adopted on the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Colonial Treasurer.

The Attorney General moved that the By-law made by the Sanitary Board under Section 16 of the Public Health Building Ordinance, 1903, on February 26, 1935, be approved. He said: The By-law authorises the Board to fix charges for conservancy during the year.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and this was agreed to.

Divorce Rule Amendment.

The Attorney General moved that the amendment to Rule 18 of the Hongkong Divorce Ordinance, 1933, made on February 26, 1935, by the Chief Justice, under Section 48, of the Divorce Ordinance, 1933 be approved. He said: The new Divorce rule amends Rule 13 of the rules published by

notification No. 678 in the Gazette of October 13, 1933 by adding a "not" which had been accidentally omitted from the last line of the rule.

The rule as amended provides that a Petitioner cannot proceed to trial unless an appearance has been entered by or on behalf of the Respondents or it has been shown by affidavit filed in the Registry that they have been duly served with the Petition and by certificate of the Registrar filed in the Registry that they have not appeared.

The Attorney General also moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend the Park Tramway Ordinance, 1883." The Colonial Secretary seconded, and the Bill was read a first time.

Other Business

Bills which passed through their final stages were "A Bill to amend further the Telephone Ordinance, 1925" and "A Bill to amend the law relating to town cleansing, nuisances, domestic sanitation, the licensing of certain premises and trades and the disposal of the dead."

The report of the Standing Law Committee on "A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to Quarantine and the Prevention of Disease among animals and birds" was presented by the Attorney General, who moved that the Bill as amended by the Standing Law Committee and published in the Gazette of March 15, 1935, be substituted for the Bill as read a second time and that it be considered in the Committee of the whole Council. The Bill passed through Committee without further amendments, was read a third time and passed.

Finance Votes Passed

Following the meeting of the Council, a meeting of the Finance Committee was held at which votes totalling \$71,387, were approved. The Colonial Secretary presided.

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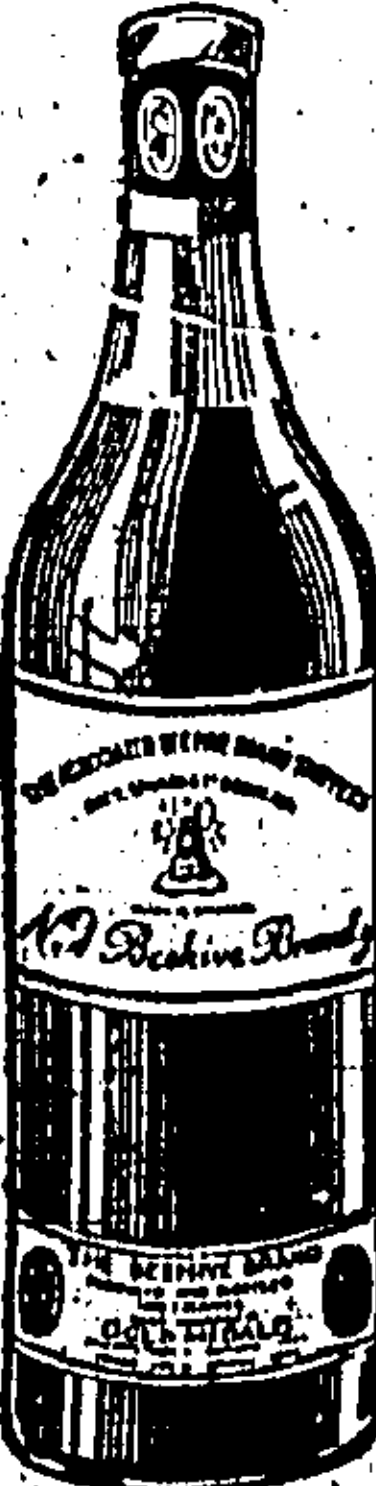
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Mr. G. H. C. Hart, the Director of the Department of Economic Affairs of the Netherlands East Indies, and Mrs. Hart, now on a tour of China, were the guests at a tea party and reception given by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon.

In extending the Chamber's welcome to the visitors, Mr. Wong Kwong-tn (the Chairman) said: "With your kind assistance we sincerely hope that a more intimate relationship and closer contact with the people of the Netherlands East Indies and Hongkong will be brought about, resulting in the establishment of more and more trade between these two places."

"You may rest assured that commercial men and tourists from your side will always receive a cordial welcome from us whenever they come here."

Sugar Trade's Decline
In reply, Mr. Hart thanked the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for their kind reception to him and Mrs. Hart. He said that he and his wife were travelling as private tourists, trying to get some knowledge of the vast country of China. He anticipated that the impression he received in Hongkong and China would lead to closer trade relations between the Netherlands East Indies and China.

Mr. Hart added that much of the Netherlands East Indies' trade with China formerly went through Hongkong, and referred to the vast sugar business with Java. This business had been handicapped to some extent by trade and political uncertainties in China. He hoped that time would see the elimination of these deterrent factors.

Among those who attended were Messrs. Chung Kit-hing, Chan Kim-tong, Lau King-ching, Chau Sing-chi, Kan Yu-cho, Chiu Kwok-hing, Ying Lan-ting, So Chi-hang,

NO ADMISSION

CHINESE NOT ADMITTED IN MANCHUKUO

Peking, March 21. That negotiations held between local Chinese and Japanese authorities for the settlement of the problem of Chinese immigration into Manchukuo have failed to reach a satisfactory solution was revealed by an official of the Peking Administration to-day. Fresh instructions have been received from the Central Government in dealing with this case. The Peking Administration will probably continue to press for a satisfactory settlement.

The same official said that the Chinese authorities had demanded the postponement of the restriction measure against Chinese labour and peasant immigrants at least for one year in order to ameliorate the unemployment situation in North China. But this demand was turned down by the Japanese.

It is learned that the restriction of Chinese immigration into Manchukuo has long been contemplated by the Japanese as one of their policies in encouraging Japanese and Koreans to immigrate into the three north-eastern provinces.—Central News Agency.

Travel Agency Hit
Tientsin, March 21. Action on the part of the Japanese authorities to bar Chinese travellers from entering into Manchukuo has seriously affected the business of the Eastern Travel Bureau.

Mr. Chang Ping Chi, Manager of the Bureau is reported to be arriving here to-morrow for instructions from the Chinese authorities on the matter.—Central News Agency.

Tsang Po-ki, Li Ping-sum, John S. H. Wann (of the local Italian Consulate), Mr. Oen Seck-hong of the Java Fruit Agency, also Messrs Chiu Chao-fen, Chan Ping-an, Lo Yam-shuen.

DEFENCE FORCES TO PRACTISE

THE ANNUAL COMBINED MANOEUVRES

Throughout to-night and all day to-morrow, units of the Hongkong Garrison, including a proportion of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, the Navy and Air Force will carry out their annual exercises. For nearly 80 hours troops will be posted in defence positions round the island and mainland to prevent the landing of the "Blue" Force.

The manoeuvres this year, being designed to include the three services, will therefore be on a grander scale than on former occasions. During such operations, both at home and abroad, it often happens that certain of the troops scheduled to take part never actively participate as they are either in a reserve role or placed in an area where no action develops.

The operations this year have been so designed that all units will be actively engaged in the "war". The Director Staff have made a special feature of this for two reasons, firstly to exercise all troops throughout the entire period of the manoeuvres both day and night, secondly, to ensure that all ranks shall be kept interested in the part which they have been allotted in the scheme.

Land "Warfare"
The idea generally is that there shall be two forces, "Blue" and "Red". The troops attached to the "Blue" force have already been embarked in certain of H. M. Ships and have gone out to sea. With the co-operation of the Royal Marines of the China Squadron they will attempt to land on the island.

The Hongkong Volunteers are again playing their part in the defence of the island—though not at full numerical strength. The units comprising the Corps will be at their posts from this afternoon until the early hours of to-morrow morning. They are prevented from taking part during the whole period of the "attack" owing to their having to return to their work on Saturday.

When they retire from the "battle" the Redland force will carry on without them. A landing, as therefore been arranged, so that all the infantry can be brought into a "battle" on land, and thus give to any who may have spent too quiet a night, opportunities for a more active mode of training, before the "cease fire" is sounded on Saturday afternoon.

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LANSBURY WARNING TO BRITAIN

GERMANY'S CHALLENGE MUST BE MET

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London, March 22.
"We are marching towards war," declared Mr. George Lansbury, Labour Party chief and Opposition leader in the House of Commons, during the debate on the European crisis yesterday.

Germany has flung a challenge to the world, and he therefore demanded that Great Britain make a counter-challenge favouring the abandonment of aerial warfare everywhere.

"I want Britain to say she is willing to take her chance in an earnest endeavour to end this foul business of fighting from the sky."

From Rome it is learned that Pope Pius is preparing an encyclical analysing of the present political situation and renewing the plea for peace.

Meanwhile, the League of Nations authorities state that they expect a majority of League members would rebuke Germany if the question of her rights were put to the vote in view of the violation of the Treaty of Versailles.—United Press.

A Reuters despatch from Paris states that General Louis Maurin, War Minister, to-day told the Army Commission of the Chamber that seventy per cent. of the German factories were manufacturing material of war and that in three months Germany would have 1,500 new aeroplanes available for action.

TROOPS MOVE

Paris, Mar. 21.
After telling the Army Commission of the Chamber of Deputies that the German Army would shortly number 720,000 men, General Louis Maurin, Minister for War, and veteran member of the Higher Council of War, announced to-day that French troops were being moved to the frontier.

According to a member of the Army Commission, General Maurin stated that French contingents have been brought up to occupy the principal strategic points along the frontier and to man the forts in the defence system.

These contingents, said the War Minister, were drawn partly from garrisons in the interior and partly from "other frontiers where the watch is no longer as necessary as formerly, owing to the international situation and agreements with neighbouring powers."—Reuters.

ITALY'S STRENGTH

Rome, March 21.
Italy has extended the term of military service for her Army, thereby increasing the number of men under arms to 600,000 with the calling of the new draft.—United Press.

GERMANY TO BE INVITED?

London, March 21.
Sir John Simon, the Foreign Minister, to-day intimated in the House of Commons that Germany may be invited to attend the conference of British, French and Italian spokesmen in Paris, following the British Ministers' visits to Berlin, Warsaw and Moscow.—United Press.

COMMONS DEBATE

London, Mar. 21.
The forthcoming ministerial conversations in Berlin and elsewhere were the subject of a brief and restrained debate in the House of Commons to-day.

The Leader of the Opposition, Mr. George Lansbury, in opening, said the events in Germany during the week-end had caused a shock and a feeling akin to despair, almost comparable with what happened in 1914. The nations of Europe should be made to understand that the British Government's policy was peace. (Continued on Page 7.)

GERMANY HAS NO EXCUSE

BUT MR. KELLOGG UNAFRAID OF WAR

AMERICA WON'T BE EMBROIDERED

Pasadena, March 21.

"There is no excuse for Germany's violation of the Treaty of Versailles," declared Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, joint author of the Briand-Kellogg Pact outlawing war and American member of the International Court at the Hague, interviewed here to-day.

But, added the statesman, there is some truth in Herr Hitler's claim that the other nations had agreed to disarm and had not done so.

Mr. Kellogg asserted that there would be no war in Europe over the present impasse.

"Certainly we Americans are not going to be in any war, that may appear later in Europe," said Mr. Kellogg.—Reuters.

MIDDLE OF THE ROAD

Washington, March 21.
High State Department officials to-day denied that they were drafting a protest to Germany over the breach of the Treaty of Versailles committed by Berlin in its decision to re-arm.

Mr. Guy Atherton, Counselor of the American Embassy in London, has cabled to the State Department his first official report on the crisis, obtained from Sir John Simon, the British Foreign Minister, who did not ask the United States' views, incidentally. It is taken, for this reason, that the United States' "middle of the road policy" will thus remain unchanged.

NO COMPLICATIONS

Diplomats, however, see no possible complications in the event of the United States continuing in this middle course. In view of France's assertion that she will not recognise the legality of Germany's re-armament. Such a policy, on the part of the French, seemed to parallel the basic principle of the American policy in the Far East, the non-recognition of rights or territories gained forcibly. This doctrine was enunciated by Mr. Henry Stimson in 1932.

It is argued that it is doubtful that the League of Nations would continue to support the United States policy of non-recognition of Manchukuo if the United States protests against violation of the Treaty of Versailles.—United Press.

SINGAPORE NAVY BASE PROGRESS

WILL BE FINISHED BY 1939

EXPENDITURE REDUCED

London, March 21.
The Singapore naval base ought to be completed by 1939 at the present rate of progress, stated Captain Euan Wallace, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, when questioned in the House of Commons to-day.

Everything in relation to the base was proceeding according to plan and entirely satisfactorily, said Capt. Wallace.

The smaller sum was put down in this year's estimates largely because all the money which had been voted last year had not been spent, said the Minister.

The House of Commons passed the Works Vote in the supplementary naval estimates.—Reuters.

ADMIRALTY'S PRIVILEGE

REVERSED VERDICT OF COURT MARTIAL

London, March 21.
The First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Bolton Eyres Monsell, in answer to a Parliamentary question, said there were many precedents for the recent course taken by the Board of Admiralty in reversing the verdict of Naval Courts Martial.

In particular, he referred to the Admiralty's dissent from the findings of the Courts Martial which acquitted the Captains of Conqueror and Howe in 1862 and 1893.

"On both occasions, the course which the Admiralty had taken was considered by the Commons and approved. On the first, Lord Palmerston, and, on the second, Mr. Asquith, vindicated with great force the right and duty of the Admiralty, as the authority supremely responsible for the safety and discipline of the Navy, to pronounce their opinion in a matter touching the safety of His Majesty's ships, quite apart from any decision which the Courts Martial may have reached."

"In reviewing the proceedings of the recent Courts Martial, the Admiralty took fully into account the whole of the evidence in which both the facts of the case and the contentions of the three officers concerned were perfectly clearly set forth. I am satisfied that the Board's action was just, was in accordance with precedent, and was required in view of the Board's responsibility to the Navy and to the public."—British Wire-Press.

PATMAN BILL PASSES

Washington, March 21.
The inflationary Patman Bonus Bill was passed in the House of Representatives to-day by a vote of 180 to 167.—United Press.

Meeting Boat Competition

LOWER FARES ON RAILWAY

FASTER SERVICE TO CANTON

With the introduction of their summer schedule and in view of the competition of the river steamers in regard to passenger traffic to Canton, the Kowloon-Canton Railway will bring into force on April 1 a complete revision in fares and a speeding up of the 12.32 p.m. fast through train from Kowloon to cut 25 minutes off the present time taken.

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BRITAIN EXPECTS GOOD SURPLUS

\$5,000,000 In Hand By Year's End

London, Mar. 21.
The surplus which the Government will have in hand at the end of the year is not likely to be under \$5,000,000, according to an announcement made to-day.—United Press.

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Canton-Kowloon, Second Class: New fares: Single, Canton, \$3.60; return, Canton, \$5.40. Old fares: Single, Canton, \$3.80; no return.
In regard to the third-class fares, there will be no change in (Continued on Page 7.)

BUGS IN BRITISH BARRACKS

NEW BUILDINGS ESSENTIAL

WORK PLANNED IN CHINA

London, March 21.
The House of Commons concerned itself to-day with the problem of bugs in British barracks overseas.

Lieut.-Col. Sir Arnold Wilson, National Conservative, formerly a Government officer in India and Persia, drew attention to reports of the infestation of barracks in Egypt, Gibraltar, Malta and China. He inquired of the Ministry what steps were being taken to remedy this distressing situation.

Mr. Douglas Hacking, Parliamentary Secretary for War, admitted that the problem was most difficult and that varying success had attended upon experiments to rid the barracks of bugs.

The only satisfactory solution, he said, lay in the replacement of structures and modernisation of the old-fashioned buildings which housed troops overseas. This was being done as funds were available.

Extensive building schemes were contemplated, particularly for China and Egypt, said Mr. Hacking.—Reuters.

Frenchmen On Record Hop

FAITH IN BRITISH ENGINE

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Khartoum, March 21.

Two French airmen, Maurice Finat and Paul Deforges, have flown from Marseilles to Assouan in the record time of twenty-seven hours.

The fliers are attempting a record flight to Madagascar, which is at present 78 hours 55 minutes away from Marseilles, in flying time. Finat and Deforges expect to better this time considerably.

They are using a small Farman plane with a thirty-five horsepower British motor.—Reuters Special.

NEW N.R.A. CHIEF

Washington, Mar. 21.
President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Donald R. Richberg to succeed Mr. S. Clay Williams as Chairman of the National Recovery Administration. Mr. Richberg up to the present has been officiating as Chairman of the Industrial Emergency Committee.—United Press.

U.S. ATTEMPT AT STABILISATION

PURCHASING SILVER WITH GOLD

MAY ARRANGE DEALING WITH NANKING

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Washington, Mar. 21.
The United States sales of gold to Mexico and Guatemala have now been revealed as an actual exchange of American gold for silver.

This revelation, coupled with the Treasury's willingness to sell gold to other nations, which could be paid for either in silver or commodities, has revived the conjecture that the United States will possibly exchange gold for Chinese silver.

It also appears as though the gold exchange policy is a first step towards the Administration's desire for the establishment of a modified international gold standard in the interests of an internationally stable currency.

These latest developments are significant inasmuch as they show that the United States desires to dispose of part of her record gold reserves.

The Treasury is worried over its policy, firstly because it is seriously affecting foreign powers, and, secondly, it is neutralising United States efforts to build up a silver reserve, which the Treasury is making efforts to do without disrupting the world's financial markets.

It is pointed out that the Treasury has purchased nearly 400,000 ounces of silver since June, 1934.

CANADA AND CHINA

Experts have expressed the belief that Canada and China might be especially interested in exchanging silver for gold due to the fact that they are among the leading sources of the United States imports.

It will be recalled that in September last year China approached the United States on the subject, but nothing resulted from the discussion. Now it is believed that any renewal of the subject will depend on China's view and ultimate policy.

However, the situation is extremely interesting because of the recent reports that China is considering changing her monetary basis due to the heavy drain of silver to the United States.

Authorities have drawn attention to the fact that China could utilise foreign balances from the sales of silver to purchase gold wherever such balances accumulated, even in the United States, provided that the silver was sold directly in China.

It has been noted, however, that so much silver has been sold by private dealers instead of by the Central Bank of China, that it was doubtful if the Central Bank itself was accumulating any balances.

Attention was also drawn to the fact that even the private dealers' balances were accumulated in London instead of the United States.—United Press.

BELGIUM'S POLICY

Brussels, March 21.
A canvass of general opinion from among authoritative circles here indicates that the Government's forthcoming programme is undoubtedly based upon the maintenance of the existing gold parity of the belga.—United Press.

REPORT DOUBTED

Shanghai, Mar. 22.
From information received to-day, it appears that the possibility of the United States exchanging gold for silver from China is widely discounted here.

It is pointed out that Chinese silver is in the hands of the people and not in the hands of the Government. Further, it is considered that the nationalisation of silver in China is impracticable.—United Press.

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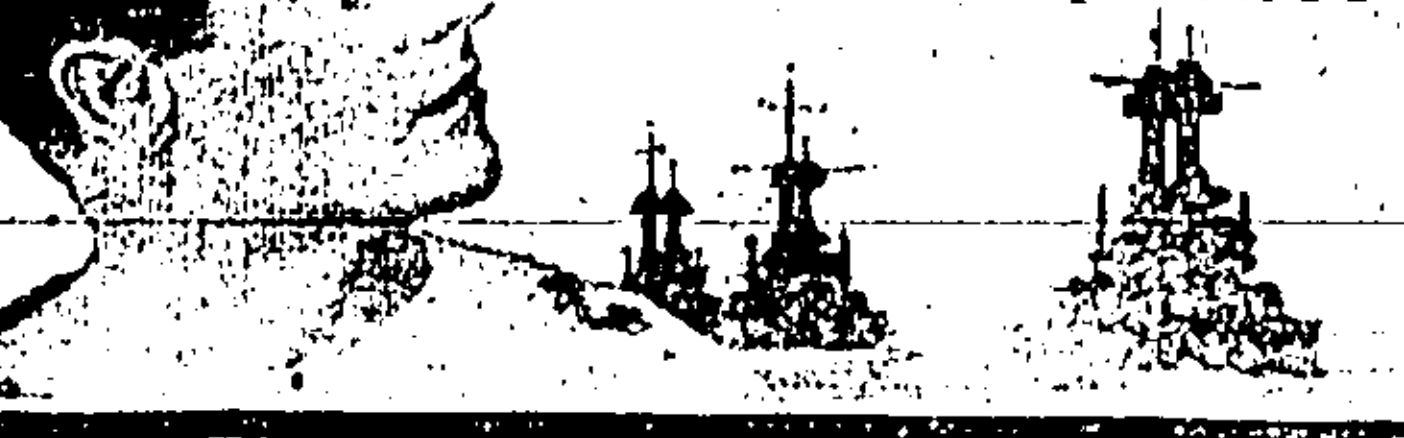
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By MARGARET HILLMAN

The 250th anniversary of the birth of George Frederick Handel, which falls on February 23, recalls some interesting stories about the world-famous musical composer, whose great oratorios "Messiah," "Samson," "Joseph," "Saul," and "Judas Maccabaeus" are still familiar to most of us to-day.

Handel was born in the German town of Halle in 1685, and even as a child he had a perfect passion for music. His father was quite unmusical, and was so determined that his gifted son should become a lawyer that he forbade any musical instrument to be brought into the house, and actually burned the small boy's drums and trumpets.

But at the age of seven the youthful musician, with the aid of a kindly aunt, managed to obtain a clavichord, the precursor of our modern pianoforte, and, hiding it in the garret, taught himself to play. Very often the small boy practised far into the night, secure in the knowledge that the sweet muffled tones of the clavichord could not be heard by the rest of the household.

The following year Handel was taken by his father on a visit to the Duke of Welsensfeld, who noticed the boy's great love of music. One day he was allowed to play the organ, and to the amazement of his hearers the eight-year-old boy played with the skill and touch of a master.

The Duke turned to Handel's father and asked if he had never observed that his son was a musical genius. Thereafter the Duke offered to pay for the boy's musical education, and with his father's reluctant consent he was placed under an eminent organist. The result was that before he reached the mature age of ten Handel was a brilliant instrumentalist and an accomplished composer.

In 1703 when Handel was in Hamburg, he and a friend went to Lubeck to compete for the post of organist at the Marienkirche, vacant owing to the retreat of the celebrated organist, Buxtehude. However, it turned out that Buxtehude had made a stipulation that his successor must marry his only daughter. Neither Handel nor his friend had any inclination to do so, so they made a polite farewell.

Handel came to London in 1710, during the reign of Queen Anne, and continued his triumphant career as a composer. One day Handel was rehearsing a song with a young English singer named Gordon, who had the audacity to criticise the composer's method of accompanying. This was more than Handel could stand, and he told Gordon sharply to mind his own business. High words followed, and Gordon finally declared that if Handel persisted in accompanying him in that manner he would jump upon his harpsichord and smash it to pieces.

"Oh," replied Handel, "let me know when you will do that, and I will advertise it; for I am sure more people will come to see you jump than to hear you sing."

THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS

At the first performance of "Messiah" in London in 1743, the great audience was deeply affected by the music, and when it came to the phrase, "For the Lord God Omnipotent," in the Hallelujah Chorus, the whole audience, including the King (George II.), simultaneously rose to their feet, and remained standing until the chorus ended. This was probably the origin of that custom which still prevails at every rendering of "Messiah."

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Handel was a most generous benefactor of the Foundling Hospital, London, and for many years gave an annual performance of "Messiah" in the Foundling Chapel, each of which meant an addition of about £500 to the Hospital. Strange as it may seem the trustees of the Hospital discovered that Handel had in his will bequeathed a full score and a complete set of parts of "Messiah" to the Hospital, and they actually petitioned Parliament, during the composer's lifetime, to accord them the sole right of performing "Messiah." Handel was perfectly furious. "The Devil!" he cried. "For what shall the Foundlings put mine oratorio in the Parliament? The Devil! Mine music shall not go to the Parliament!"

In 1751 Handel was stricken with total blindness. Not long after this terrible calamity had fallen upon him he was present at a performance of "Samson," when a distinguished tenor sang with great feeling the solo:—

"Total eclipse! No sun, no moon!
All dark amid the blaze of noon."

The touching spectacle of the blind composer sitting beside the organ listening to these poignant words affected the audience so powerfully that many of them burst into tears.

FORTY YEARS' FRIENDSHIP.

In the first weeks of Handel's blindness, he was unable to take part in the performance of his oratorios, and his surgeon recommended to him a blind musician, John Stanley, whose memory was remarkable. Handel burst out laughing and cried:—"Have you never read the Scriptures? Do you not remember, if the blind lead the blind, they both fall into the ditch?"

Later on, however, he found Stanley's assistance very valuable, and after Handel's death the performances of his oratorios were continued by Stanley and Handel's old friend John Christopher Smith.

John Christopher Smith, or Schmidt, as he was originally called, had been Handel's closest friend for forty years when they quarrelled over some trifles and parted in anger. Smith's son, however, who was Handel's secretary, remained with him, and shortly after

MILLIONAIRE'S ART SALE

PICTURES WORTH
MILLIONSWORLD FAMOUS
MASTERPIECES.

New York, Mar. 13.
Mr. John Pierpont Morgan, titan of American finance, has begun to dispose of some of his priceless art-treasures as the move of a prudent man entering life's final stretch to place his estate in good order.

Mr. Charles R. Henschel, president of Knoedler galleries, announced he was handling the sale of six paintings from the Morgan collection.

They are valued at U.S. \$1,500,000 and it will be the biggest sale of paintings since the Hermitage Museum collection was sold at Leningrad in 1929 and 1930. Henschel handled 25 pictures of that group valued at \$12,000,000.

Mr. Henschel induced the head of the House of Morgan to part with the paintings by telling him that there is a "boom market" in art and they may not bring so high a price again for many years.

The interview between the connoisseur and the 77-year-old financier was described for the United Press by a source close to Morgan. Mr. Henschel had a painting which he believed Mr. Morgan might buy.

"No, I'm not buying," said Mr. Morgan.

Perhaps you would consider selling some painting from your collection," said Mr. Henschel. He said the market is distinctly favourable for disposition of valuable objects of art.

"I'll think it over," replied Mr. Morgan.

After deliberation he decided to offer six—among them the famous "Anne of Austria," by Peter Paul Rubens and Chirlandolo's "Siovanna Tornabuoni." The latter alone is worth half a million dollars, according to connoisseurs.

This answer was: "Yes—if I set the right price."

He was guided, according to one close to the financier, by the consideration that "perhaps" a little too much of his fortune, which is not as great as the public believes, was in art; that his years are numbered and that as a prudent and business-like man, he wishes to leave his estate in the best possible condition.

"Mr. Morgan felt that with a 'boom market' existing in the present time for paintings of great value, he would be remiss in his duty to the estate if he did not dispose of some of the paintings at this time," said the United Press informant.

In addition to Rubens' "Anne of Austria" and the Ghirlandolo masterpiece, there are two of Frans Hals' portraits. Sir Thomas Lawson's portrait of Lady Elizabeth Farren and Fra Lippo Lippi's "St. Lawrence Enthroned."

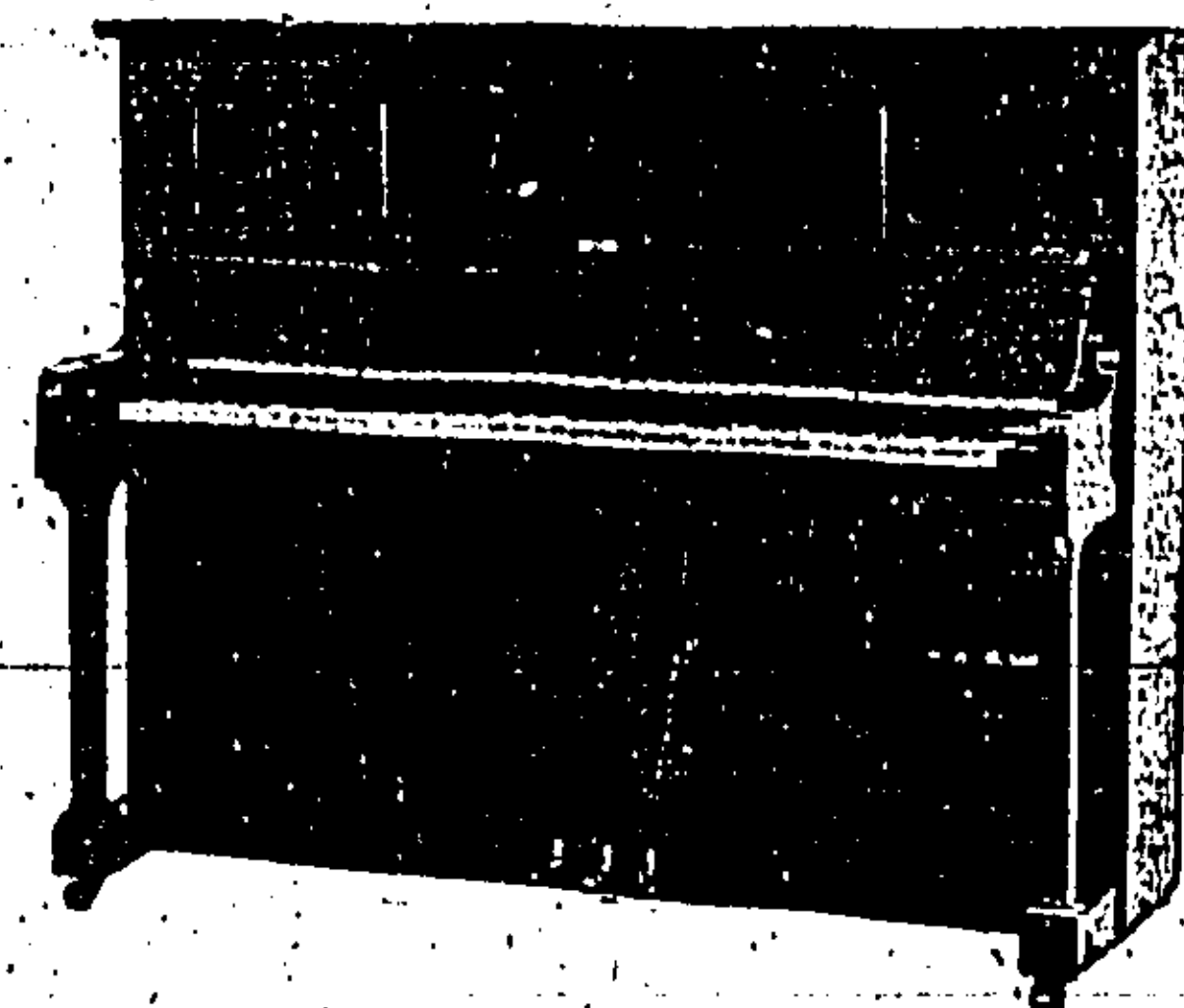
The Hals portraits are the famed "Bodolpho Family" pair. Lady Elizabeth Farren was a great English actress, "Countess of Derby and daughter of a Cork druggist.—United Press.

the quarrel Handel told him that he was going to put his name in place of his father's in his will. Young Smith declared that if Handel did so, he would leave him instantly and take no further share in his oratorio performances, "for," he added, "what will the world think if you set aside my father and leave this legacy to me?" Handel gave in, and a few days later was reconciled to his old friend.

George Frederick Handel reached his journey's end on April 14, 1759, when he passed away after a very brief illness, at the age of 74, and was laid to rest beside our greatest dead in Westminster Abbey.

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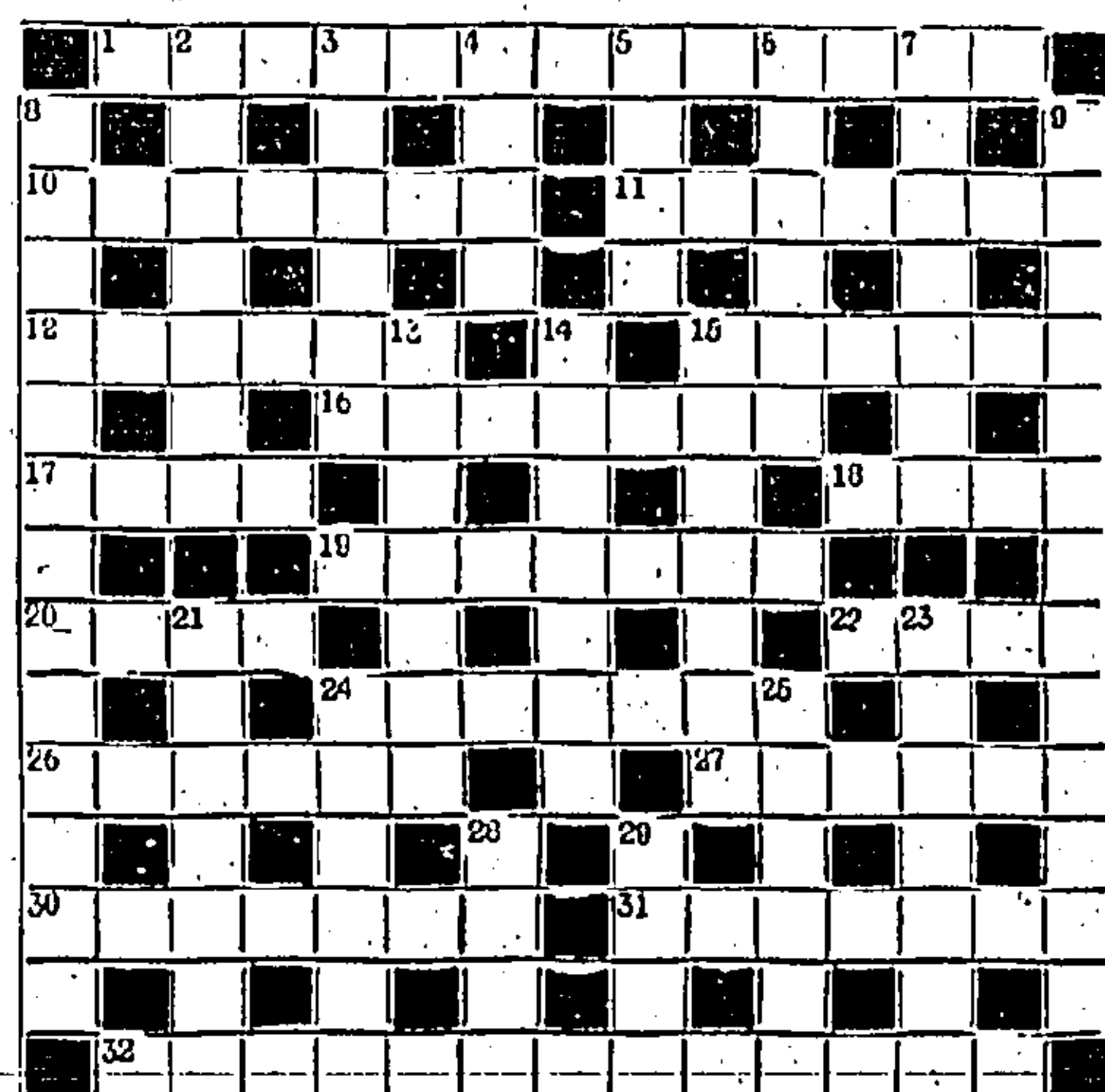
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- 12 All the mixture becomes deadly.
- 15 Describes a magazine story perhaps.
- 16 A bit of jewellery.
- 17 Clan.
- 18 Town of India.
- 19 Take a share from the park tea.
- 20 Kind of wine.
- 21 Engrave in a way.
- 24 May describe a cock or his spur.
- 26 Much the same as a halo.
- 27 Fish.
- 30 An artery.
- 31 Carried by many a scribe of old.
- 32 A good quality in a car when it has to be overhauled.

Down

- 2 Is this baby's first dance?
- 3 Famous old master.
- 4 One in the solar system.
- 5 A national emblem.
- 6 "Battle" is its anagram and one might cause many to be set up.
- 7 Erratic.
- 8 "Call this nice" (anag.).
- 9 Unkind epithet for the absent-minded professor.

- 13 "Teg sale" (anag.).
- 14 22 across in the heavens is more fully outlined.
- 15 Perhaps the original of Robinson Crusoe.
- 12 Material.
- 23 This position has nothing above.
- 24 Brilliance.
- 25 Metal.
- 28 The reason for a bookmaker's success.
- 29 Part of the body.

Yesterday's Solution.

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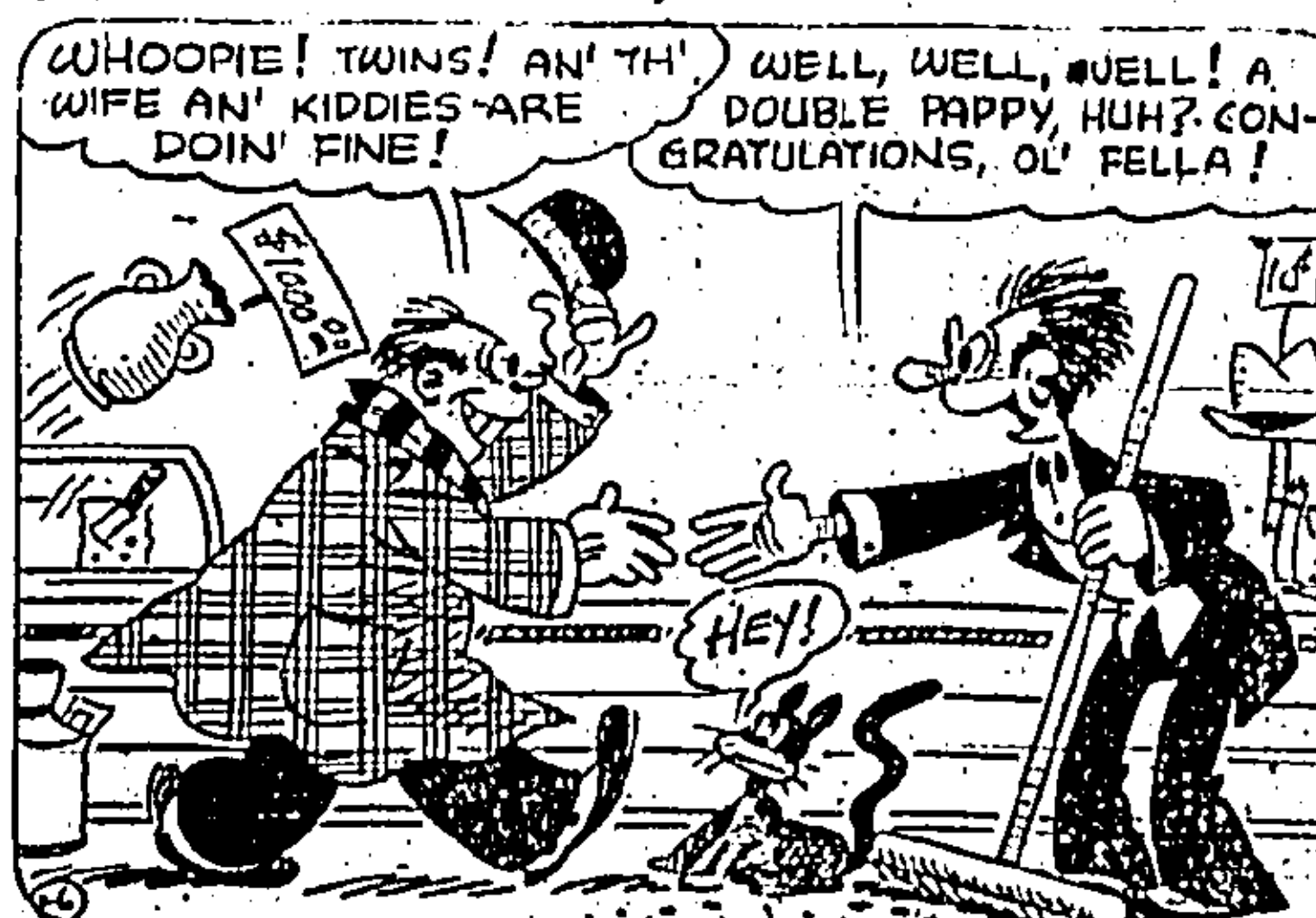
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NAPOLEON'S LOVE LIFE

EMPRESS' LETTERS TO HER MOTHER

HAPPY YEARS IN FRANCE

Paris. Napoleon, conqueror of Europe, was an attentive and amiable husband, even being willing to have his mother-in-law and his wife's relatives live with him, according to newly-discovered letters from Empress Josephine to her mother in Martinique.

These letters from the beautiful Creole, Josephine, who was Napoleon's first wife, together with Napoleon's own letters to Marie Louise, his second wife, are the only Napoleonic letters which have come to light in recent years.

Mme. Irmeline Ramette, editor of *Le Trésor Des Lettres*, which is publishing the Josephine letters, said she found them in the National Library while seeking material for a history of Martinique.

"This is the first publication of Josephine's letters," she said. "Napoleon's own letters to Josephine were published long ago and are available in every Napoleonic history and biography, particularly in the work of Frederick Masson, who published them in full late in the 19th Century."

"But these letters of Josephine to her mother are new. With Napoleon's own unpublished letters to Marie Louise, which are soon to be made public, these documents throw new light on Napoleon's character."

The letters of Josephine de Beauharnais informally describe her own life in Europe to her mother living in Martinique and throw an entirely new light on the emperor's love life. They depict him as a husband anxious to please his wife and to aid her friends and relatives.

FIRST LETTER

In her first letter home, shortly after her marriage to Napoleon in March 1796, Josephine wrote:

"You must love Bonaparte. Mother. He makes your daughter very happy. He is good and amiable; in every way a charming man."

In a letter a few months later from Paris she wrote of Napoleon's willingness to have his mother-in-law and her relatives live with them.

"Bonaparte and myself have the greatest desire that you come and live with us," she wrote. "My uncle must come to France and bring all his children with him. Bonaparte will take charge of them."

In one of the last letters of the collection, four years before Napoleon divorced her for not bearing him children, Josephine wrote:

"Dear Mother: I am charging my cousin with giving you news. I am sure in advance of the pleasure you will have to learn from him all that concerns the Emperor

and interests me. I have arranged with him to give you all the proofs of the attachment which the Emperor heaps upon my family and the happiness which your daughter enjoys."

The earlier letters of the series reveal that the financial worries which beset Josephine induced her to marry Napoleon while he was still struggling to get ahead.

APPEALS FOR HELP

Frantic appeals for help, for money and for fruit to keep herself and her children, Eugene and Hortense, alive filled most of the letters. Ten years before Josephine became empress of the French, she struggled for life. The struggles are best related in three of the letters, all addressed to her mother, Mme. Joseph Gaspard Tascher de La Pagerie, at Trois Ilets, Martinique. Shedding new light on Josephine's stormy life, the letters disclose the real suffering of a native girl of Martinique, first married to an island nobleman who was guillotined in 1794. She eventually became Empress of Martinique under the Amiens Peace Treaty of 1802, under which England, having seized the island in 1794, gave it back to France and to Napoleon, who had by then been married for six years to the beautiful Creole.

The first letter to Josephine's mother announced the guillotining of her husband, Viscount de Beauharnais. Matters went from bad to worse with Josephine and then weeks later she was forced to admit to her mother in her second letter—without any expressed sentiment except gratitude to the giver—that she and the children were able to exist only by the help of one Emery de Dunkerque. The future Empress did not seem conscience-stricken over being supported by a strange man, being more concerned with the fact that the arrangement would be temporary.

Nothing in her past life had, in fact, instilled disapproval of that sort of thing in her.

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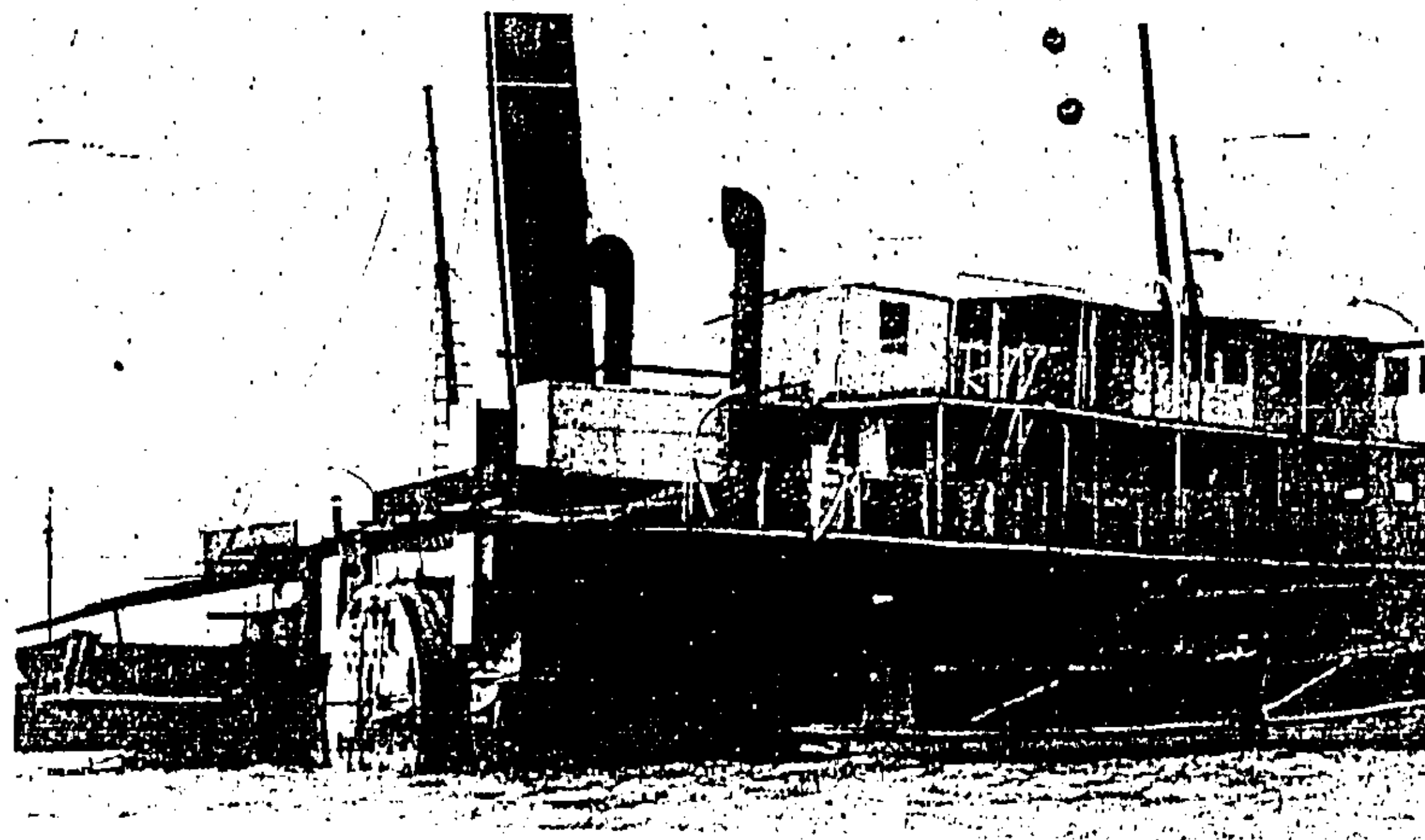
More than one year later, in 1796, Josephine casually told her mother for the first time that she had married General Bonaparte, indicating that the marriage was not an exceptionally fortunate catch for her but that Bonaparte was a very charming man nevertheless and she was sure her mother would like him.

In a letter after the restoration of Martinique to France, Josephine wrote to her mother:

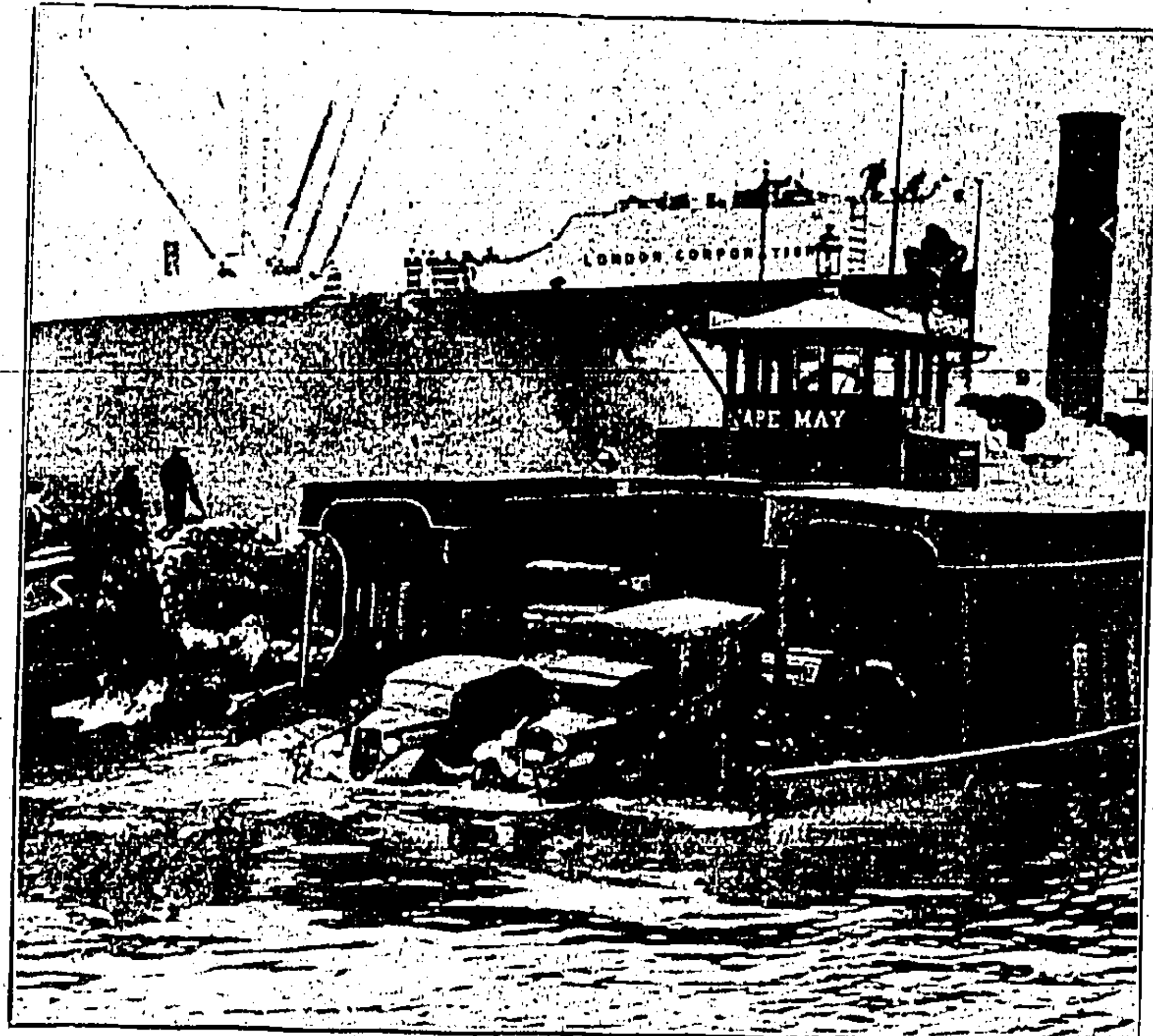
"He (Bonaparte) wants very much for you to come to France if you can accustom yourself to live in a climate so different from that. If you comply with my desires, you must depart so you can arrive in June. You would like Bonaparte very much. He is making your daughter very happy. He is good and he is altogether charming. He loves your Yvette."—*United Press*.



These three are in the public eye: Left to right, Herr Goebbels, Reichminister of Propaganda, M. Francois Poncet, French Ambassador to Berlin, and Der Fuehrer.



This is one end of the U.S. Kian. She broke in two on the rocks of Tungchow island, and her other half is still there.



Here is the United States ferryboat, Cape May, sinking shortly after the British freighter London Corporation had rammed her in the Delaware river, Philadelphia, U.S.A. Eight passengers were injured and several motor-cars, aboard the ferry for transportation across the river, sank.



Two royal lads on whom the fate of the Balkans may rest in future years are shown here as they met in Belgrade, the boy King Peter of Yugoslavia at the left and Crown Prince Michael of Rumania right. Michael enjoyed a visit with Peter when he went to the Yugo-Slav capital to see his aunt, the widowed Queen Marie.



Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, and granddaughter of the King and Queen of England, taking a stroll in Hyde Park, London, with her pet dog, a Welsh Corgi. Strange to say, no one recognized the distinguished youngster, who will be nine years old on April 21.

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A hearty invitation is extended to all friends.

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Monday, 25th March, 1935, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1934.
The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 18th to 25th March, 1935, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
E. COCK, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1935.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Hongkong.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong), on Thursday the 25th day of April, 1935, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1934, confirming the appointment of two Directors, and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 13th April, 1935, to Thursday, 25th April, 1935, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY, Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1935.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 3rd April, 1935, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1934.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd March to 3rd April, 1935, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1935.

KING'S SILVER JUBILEE

Dollar Collection Fund.

Managers of business firms and others who have employees are informed that special collection boxes for the Jubilee \$1 Collection are now available at 6 Ning Yuen Terrace, temporary headquarters of the St. John Ambulance Brigade; telephone No. 26236.

The boxes can be obtained from Mr. A. Morris, at the address mentioned above, or from Mr. S. F. Balfour, of the Colonial Secretariat.

The Collection is to begin on April 1, between which date and May 1 the boxes should be circulated; when filled, they should be sent to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, which has kindly undertaken to receive same.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the undersigned on Friday, the 29th March, 1935, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1934.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1935, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED.
General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1935.

MANILA STOCK EXCHANGE

PHILIPPINE GOLD SHARE QUOTATIONS

To-day's quotations as received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz shortly after the close of the morning session of the Manila Stock Exchange are as follows:—

	Price In Pcs	Asked	Bid	Volume
Antamok Goldfields	0.04	0.01	0.01	10000
Barugo Gold Mines	0.02	0.01	0.01	10000
Benue Consolidated	12.00	12.00	12.00	5000
Gold River	0.17	0.16	0.16	80000
100 Gold Mines	1.20	1.20	1.20	10000
London Mining Co.	0.58	0.57	0.58	10000
Salomon Mining Co.	0.17	0.16	0.17	1000
Shore Consolidated	0.25	0.24	0.25	8000
United-Paracels	0.38	0.37	0.38	4000
B. C. & P. Gold share Index	11.9			Market
Voluble price	100.000			

BERLIN REJECTS PROTESTS

STRONG NOTES FROM FRANCE AND ITALY

London, Mar. 21.

According to a Paris message, the French Note to the League does not ask for the immediate convocation of the League Council, because it is considered there is no immediate danger, but draws the attention of the League to Germany's arbitrary action and the injury which may result to the mutual trust of nations and the peace of the world.

The Secretary-General of the League of Nations, M. Avenol, will present the French appeal to the President and other members of the Council who will decide when the Council will meet.

The appeal requires a unanimous decision of the Council before it can be allowed.

Meanwhile, the decision to hold a Three Power Conference in Paris before Sir John Simon proceeds to Berlin is hailed by the French Press as indicating that co-operation between Great Britain, France and Italy has been re-affirmed and strengthened.

On the other hand, the French appeal to the League is viewed with much sarcasm in Germany.

Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung declares that France has denied the League of Nations' idea by returning to the policy of alliances.

It adds that the Geneva happenings will not have the slightest influence on the development of affairs.

It is understood that the naval question will be raised during Sir John Simon's discussions in Berlin.—Reuter.

League Meeting

Geneva, Mar. 21.

The Council of the League of Nations will be convened within the first week in April to consider Germany's action in abrogating Clause V of the Treaty of Versailles.—United Press.

Peace at Stake

Paris, Mar. 21.

"The German proclamation corresponds to a conception, which, if accepted by the world, means the destruction of the work of peace founded by the League of Nations," declared the French Prime Minister, M. Flandrin, before a crowded Senate this afternoon.

M. Flandrin added that France could not accept the Reich's thesis or its justification. France was bringing Germany's grave act before the League in virtue of Article IX.

"The peace of the world is again at stake," said M. Laval.

It was not true that France had not fulfilled her disarmament undertakings. She had reduced her effectives by 50 per cent, her period of military service from three years to one, her fleet from 763,000 tons to 550,000 tons, and similarly, her Air Force. If she had not disarmed more, it was solely on account of the re-armament which had been proceeding across the Rhine.

It was untrue, he said, that the Reich had executed her treaty obligations. The Reich referred to the official destruction of war material, but forgot the new clandestine construction, which was the real re-armament behind the official disarmament.

M. Flandrin then recalled the long list of occasions on which France had gradually abandoned her claims to reparations and added: "It could be asked how a great people like the Germans, under such a travesty of history, would ever prove their sincere desire for collaboration."—Reuter.

Note Presented

London, Mar. 21.

The French Note of protest against the military developments in Germany was formally presented to the German Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath in Berlin this morning by the French Ambassador, M. Poncet.

Flat Rejection

Berlin, Mar. 21.

Baron von Neurath's reply to the French Note says that the explanation given by the French Government does not take into account the actual position, and must therefore be rejected by Germany.—Reuter.

Italian Protest

Berlin, Mar. 21.

The Italian Ambassador to Berlin, Signor Vittorio Cerutti delivered the Italian Note to Baron von Neurath at 1 p.m.

It is officially stated that the Italian Note protested against Germany's unilateral action in denouncing the military clauses of the Treaty of Versailles.

Baron von Neurath replied that Germany must reject this motivation, since the Versailles military clauses have already been abrogated through the failure of others to disarm.—United Press.

Apprehensions Calmed

London, Mar. 21.

The decision to send Mr. Anthony Eden to consult M. Laval

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts. From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended March 21, 1914.

The rate of dollar on demand was 1s. 11½d.

The Norwegian steamer Childir was pirated at Blas Bay and robbed of goods worth over \$20,000. Captain Nelsen was bound with ropes during the five hours the pirates were in charge of the ship.

The annual ball of the Hongkong Devonian Society was held at the Hongkong Hotel. At the annual meeting held during the evening, Mr. M. S. Northcote was elected President and Mr. Philip Jacka was appointed Hon. Secretary.

Mr. F. H. Baker, who has joined the firm of Ewens and Needham, was admitted a solicitor at the Supreme Court.

Footprints of a tiger were discovered in the garden of the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, on The Peak.

ONE OF AMERICA'S GREAT MEN

(Continued from Page 6.)

Fromageot, and others. I recalled the words of my richly experienced host: "Looking back on my life, I do not remember any period in which the world has moved so speedily—indeed cannot help moving even against mistaken counsel—towards arbitration, international understanding and collaboration."

"The churches, especially, can educate the nations in preaching that ideal," was another of his maxims, and in his mouth "ideal" is no empty word. Mr. Kellogg is far from being an ostentatious man. In one public gesture he once put an example to the world, for when, after the signing of the Pact which so rightly bears his name, he visited the grave of the Unknown Soldier under the Arc de Triomphe, he did what no one, no prince or statesman had ever dared do before: he knelt on the pavement and prayed with closed eyes before that symbol of the millions who fell offering their lives for a new and better world.

So intense are Frank Kellogg's convictions.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

8.30 p.m. The H.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9.15 p.m. The Coventry-Hippodrome Orchestra.
9.40 p.m. The News and Announcements.
10 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3

(G.S.P., G.S.E. and G.S.B.)
10.15 p.m. Big Ben. New British Dance Music.
10.30 p.m. Effie Atherton presents for her company and herself "Back Again."

11.15 p.m. The Scottish Studio Orchestra.
Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
12 a.m. Talk: "Music and the Ordinary Listener." Sir Wilfrid Davies.
12.30 a.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.
12.50 a.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.
1.15 a.m. Dance Music.
1.45 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4

(G.S.D. and G.S.B.)
2 a.m. Big Ben. The News and Announcements.
2.20 a.m. Orchestral Interludes.
2.30 a.m. Talk: "Under Big Ben." Mr. Howard Marshall.
2.45 a.m. The Wireless Military Band.
Greenwich Time Signal at 2 p.m.
3.30 a.m. The Music of George Foxford.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 p.m.
4.15 a.m. Variety Feature.
4.30 a.m. The H.C. Northern Orchestra.
4.50 a.m. Entertainment Hour.
5 a.m. The News and Announcements.
5.20 a.m. The H.C. Orchestra (Reaction Round). Conducted by Clarence Haybold.
5.45 a.m. Close down.

and Signor Savitch has somewhat calmed apprehensions in French and Italian circles.

It is learned that the French Note to Britain on Sunday mooted the possibility of an appeal to the League and other measures against German conscription.

The fact that Britain had not replied, but had sent a Note to Germany without prior discussion with France, caused some irritation in France and there was much plain speaking at yesterday's discussions between French and Italian statesmen. Both the latter are strongly urging consultations prior to the Berlin visit.

After their visit to Berlin, Sir John Simon or Mr. Eden will possibly see Signor Mussolini.

The French decision to appeal to the League is regarded in British political circles as a matter of psychological expediency, though it is realised in London that the gravity of recent events would necessitate the raising of the matter at Geneva sooner or later.

An appeal under a specific clause of the Peace Treaty is not likely and there is no idea of invoking sanctions under Article XIX of the League Covenant.

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Shanghai and Amoy	Tsitan	March 23
Shanghai	Islon	March 24
Haiphong	Canton	March 25
Straits	Achilles	March 25
Shanghai	Agamemnon	March 25
Shanghai	Aramis	March 25
Straits	Tasakuni Maru	March 25
Japan	Sanbun	March 27
Japan and Shanghai	Toyama Maru	March 27
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 9th March)	Chichibu Maru	March 28
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Japan	Lycan	March 28
Shanghai	Muroran Maru	March 28
Japan and Shanghai	Bhutani	March 29
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 1st March)	Haruna Maru	March 29
Straits	Pres. Polk	March 29
Straits	Genoa Maru	March 30
Straits and London Parcells—London, 1st February	Glyno Maru	March 30
Calcutta and Straits	Patroclus	March 30
Japan	Suisang	March 30
	Nankai	March 31

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Fri., Mar. 22, 4 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 14th April)	General Sherman	Fri., Mar. 22, 4.15 p.m.
Saigon	Tinchow	Fri., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
Letters for "Singapore—Australia Air Mail Service"	Carthage	Sun., Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
Reg., K. P. O.	Reg., G. P. O.	Mar. 22, 4.30 p.m.
Letters, K. P. O.	Letters, G. P. O.	Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
Dairen	Himalaya Maru	Sat., Mar. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., C. and S. America, Canada and *Europe via San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 10th April)	Pres. Hoover	Sat., Mar. 23, 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand (Due Thursday Island, 4th April)	Atsuta Maru	Sat., Mar. 23, 11.45 a.m.
Letters for "Bandung—Amsterdam Carthage Air Mail Service"	Carthage	Sat., Mar. 23, 12.30 p.m.
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Letters, K. P. O.	Letters, G. P. O.	Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Carthage, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 19th April)	Parcels, K. P. O.	Mar. 22, 5 p.m.
Manila	Reg., G. P. O.	Mar. 22, 9.45 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Andre Lebon	Reg., G. P. O.	Mar. 23, 10.30 a.m.
Siberia	Pres. Grant	Sat., Mar. 23, 4.30 p.m.
	Sat., Mar. 23, 4.30 p.m.	
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Poochow	Holhow	Sun., Mar. 24, 9 a.m.
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Poochow via Swatow	Yunnan	Mon., Mar. 25, 12.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangon	Mon., Mar. 25, 3 p.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Hosang	Tues., Mar. 26, 8.30 a.m.
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Letters, K. P. O.	Letters, G. P. O.	Mar. 26, 11 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhol and G. G. Paul Doumer	Canton Maru	Tues., Mar. 26, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	Halyang	Tues., Mar. 26, 2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Mulinan	Tues., Mar. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Straits	Yasakuni Maru	Tues., Mar. 26, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Andre Lebon	Sat., Mar. 23, 4.30 p.m.	
Siberia		
Wednesday		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Agamemnon, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 25th April)	Parcels, K. P. O.	Mar. 27, 8.45 a.m.
Reg., K. P. O.	Reg., G. P. O.	Mar. 27, 9 a.m.
Letters, K. P. O.	Letters, G. P. O.	Mar. 27, 9.30 a.m.
Letters for "Hanoi—Marseilles Air Canton Mail Service"	Carthage	Wed., Mar. 27, 9.30 a.m.
Reg., K. P. O.	Reg., G. P. O.	Mar. 27, 12.30 p.m.
Letters, K. P. O.	Letters, G. P. O.	Mar. 27, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., Mar. 27, 2 p.m.
Amoy	Tsitan	Wed., Mar. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Thursday		
Sandakan	Mausang	Thurs., Mar. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thurs., Mar. 28, 4.30 p.m.
Friday		
Holhow, Pakhol and Haiphong	Yochow	Fri., Mar. 29, 1 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Polk	Fri., Mar. 29, 5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kwanchow	Sun., Mar. 31, 9 a.m.
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LAWN BOWLS MATTERS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION HELD YESTERDAY

Glowing tributes to the work of Mr. H. Hampton, the retiring Honorary Secretary of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association were paid by Mr. R. E. Maughan, President, and representatives of clubs in the League at the annual general meeting of the Association, held yesterday afternoon in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co.

Regret was also expressed at the intention of the Talkoo Recreation Club to withdraw from the First Division of the League. It was suggested that Talkoo should reconsider their decision, but Mr. T. F. Stinton, who represented the Club, told the meeting that their decision to enter the Second Division was definite.

The Indian Recreation Club, champions of the Second Division last year, were welcomed to the First Division.

Mr. B. E. Maughan presided at the meeting. Others present were Mr. J. Russell (Vice-President), Mr. H. Hampton (Hon. Secretary), Mr. G. E. F. Thompson (Hon. Treasurer), and representatives of clubs. After the minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed, the Chairman said:

Gentlemen—I do not propose to prolong the business of this general meeting by a lengthy resume of the activities of the Association for the past year. I was afforded this opportunity at the very successful supper held by the kindness of the K.C.C. at their club house on the conclusion of the Aikhead Shield match, when His Honour, Mr. Justice Lindell, honoured us with his presence and presented the prizes to the successful competitors. Full details of the competitions are appended to the statement of accounts.

Before presenting the statement of accounts for the financial year ended February 28, I desire to refer to the growth of the game in the Colony as revealed by the popularity of the competitions organized by the Association during the past year, and additional entries into the League. With the inauguration of the Kowloon Bowling Club and the provision of a bowling green in the suburbs of Kowloon, it is hoped that, in the near future, we shall have an additional member of the Association whose players will include Chinese enthusiasts.

The outstanding feature of the year was the British Empire Games held in London. To our representatives who were fortunate enough to participate, this gathering of bowlers from all parts of the British Empire must have been indeed inspiring.

The Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association can justly be proud of being represented at this memorable meeting.

Advance of Bowls

It has taken some years for the game of bowls to find itself included in this great federation of sport, and now that bowls has established itself as a power in the land of sport, there can be no gainsaying the fact that from now on the game will always be found in the forefront of all British sports at home and in the Colonies, and when the British Empire Games are revived, most likely in Australia, I trust that Hongkong in four years time will be well and successfully represented.

I am happy to relate that the season's activities have been carried through without a hitch which speaks volumes for the cordial relationship existing between our clubs, and the spirit of the comradeship which should always exist among bowlers. I attribute the satisfactory conclusion of a very extensive programme to the excellent work of the Sub-Committee delegated to supervise all competitions. It is no easy task, but I can assure you it was a pleasure to associate with a Committee who were prepared to meet at least once a week in the interest of the game in general and of this Association in particular.

In this connection I would particularly refer to our Hon. Secretary, Mr. Hampton, whom we owe a debt of gratitude for the efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties. His impending departure from the Colony will be a great loss in many directions.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. Thompson, our Hon. Treasurer, for his services to the Association and to Mr. Rapley for kindly auditing our accounts, which, from the manner in which they were kept, must have been a pleasure.

I would also refer to the valued assistance given by the Press, especially in connection with the open competitions. Our thanks are due to all those responsible for this assistance and for reports which place the game of bowls on a parity with other sports in the Colony in the Press.

I offer my personal thanks to the management of all clubs and to all individual bowlers for their co-operation during my year as President. The work has been of considerable pleasure and I am reluctant to hand over the reins of an office which has afforded me so much interest.

The statement of accounts for the year under review, having been in your hands for the prescribed period, and duly presented to the General Committee, I will, with your permission, take them as read, and formally propose that the accounts for the year ended February 28, 1935, as presented, be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Mr. J. Denkin and passed unanimously.

With reference to the Aikhead Shield match last year, Mr. T. F. Stinton raised the question of spoons for the winning side. He stated that a certain number of spoons had been given out and it was understood that the remainder would be forwarded in due course. Mr. Stinton said he had been told that some of the players had not yet received their spoons.

The Chairman said the remaining spoons had been sent to the secretaries of clubs.

Mr. Nish Elected

Proposed by Mr. B. Wylie and seconded by Mr. E. Kern, Mr. H. Nish was unanimously elected President of the Association for the ensuing year.

There were two nominations for the post of Vice-President. They were Mr. B. E. Maughan, proposed by Mr. J. Denkin and seconded by Mr. A. V. Ramsay, and Mr. C. J. Tacchi, proposed by Mr. R. E. F. Thompson and seconded by Mr. A. W. Grimmit.

Mr. Maughan withdrew his nomination in favour of Mr. Tacchi, who was accordingly elected.

Mr. J. Russell said that it was very honourable of Mr. Maughan to have withdrawn his nomination in order to make the voting unanimous, but he felt that the past President should be retained on the Executive Committee to lend them his experience. He therefore moved that Mr. Maughan be elected an ex-officio member of the Executive Committee of the Association.

This was seconded by Mr. Tacchi, and passed unanimously.

At the proposal of Mr. F. J. Jones, supported by Mr. A. E. Coates, Mr. C. B. Hosking was elected Hon. Secretary.

Proposed by Mr. B. E. Maughan and seconded by Mr. H. Hampton, Mr. G. E. F. Thompson was re-elected Hon. Treasurer.

Thanking the meeting for electing him President of the Association for the ensuing year, Mr. Nish said he would strive, with the co-operation and support of the Committee, to make the coming season another successful one.

Committee's Recommendations

The Chairman said that at a meeting of the General Committee held on March 1, it was decided to recommend to the annual meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association be affiliated to the International Bowling Board. At the moment, they were affiliated to the English Bowling Association and attained representation through that Board. The International Bowling Association, he said, was the supreme governing body of all the National Associations, and although it was not considered necessary to withdraw their membership from the English Bowling Association, it was with the object of obtaining official recognition as an Association with direct representation, that it was recommended that the Hongkong L. B. A. should be affiliated to the I.B.B., similar to the Associations of other Colonies.

The proposal was seconded by Mr. J. Russell and passed unanimously. A further recommendation submitted by the General Committee, was to the effect that Interceptor badges should be presented to bowlers representing the Colony, whether in Shanghai or in Hongkong. In the past representatives in Interceptor matches had had to purchase the badges but it was now felt that this small cost should be borne by the Association and that an Interceptor should not have to purchase what might be termed a "badge of honour."

This was agreed to by the meeting. The Chairman informed the meeting that the Association's stock of badges and Aikhead spoons was exhausted, and the General Committee recommended that a specially-devised Association badge, of a more suitable size, together with spoons for the Aikhead Shield match should be obtained from England.

The meeting agreed to pass the recommendation on to the incoming Committee.

League Entries

Regarding the League entries, it was decided to close the list of entries on March 23.

Mr. T. F. Stinton, representing Talkoo R.C., told the meeting that his Club had decided to withdraw from the First Division and to take part in the Second.

Mr. J. V. Ramsay said Kowloon Docks would enter one team and would leave it to the discretion of the Committee as to which division in which they should play.

After some discussion, it was decided to recommend to the Committee to retain Kowloon Docks in the first division.

The meeting decided to commence the League season not later than April 27.

Regarding games in England, the Chairman said that letters had been received from more than one club in England who were anxious to entertain Hongkong bowlers on leave this year, and in addition, Mr. McNeish, President of the English Bowling Association, had consented to arrange a representative game with the South African Bowling Association. A letter had been forwarded to all clubs asking for co-operation and he would ask the representatives to submit the names and addresses of any bowlers who would be prepared to play in these games, including the Epsom Cup match at Wansford, in order that the General Committee might make the necessary arrangements.

A letter had been received from the Secretary of the Shanghai L.B.A. expressing a wish to unite forces.

Mr. F. J. Jones suggested that as a token of appreciation for the services rendered by Mr. Hampton during the past year a memento should be presented to him. This was agreed to by the meeting.

Before the meeting terminated, Mr. Nish proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring President and the Committee for the work they had done. This was received with acclamation.

Mr. Maughan proposed that a letter be written to Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., thanking them for the use of the board-room.



Finding a hangman willing to hang Fredric March was the toughest problem faced by 20th Century in filming "The Affairs of Cellini," their new comedy opening to-day at the King's Theatre.

BARBER TRICKED

BY ANOTHER

A case in which there was a mixture of honesty and dishonesty came before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court this morning when Lau Yuen-chi, 26, unemployed man, pleaded guilty to two charges of pawing hair clippers and a razor, without the authority of the owner, Wan Kuan, barber, of No. 146 Portland Street, Yau-mat.

Inspector Ellis, prosecuting, stated that complainant was a barber engaged at Central Police Station. On March 19, two pawn tickets, one relating to the clippers and the other to the razor, were returned by the defendant to the complainant through a friend. Defendant stated that if the complainant wanted to see him he was to meet him at the Mongkok Ferry wharf. Complainant did so and had him arrested.

Defendant pleaded he had no money for food and he pawned the articles. He had the intention of redeeming them. He had been in the Colony for ten years and was formerly employed as an odd-job hand at boarding houses.

Inspector Ellis said he understood that the defendant had done no work for the past three years and depended on friends for support.

The Magistrate remarked that it was a curious case with such a mixture of honesty and dishonesty, and decided to bind the defendant over in a bond of \$75 to come up for judgment when called upon within a period of twelve months.

"Take this chance young man, and don't abuse it," his Worship added.

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

N.B.—Trains leave Kowloon 8.45 & 9.15 (there is no 9.05 motor).

9.36 A. E. Lissaman, A. B. Purves.

9.40 K. S. Morrison, A. L. Moncrieff.

9.44 I. H. Geare, S. H. Dodwell.

9.48 J. W. Mayhew, Comdr. Hole.

9.52 A. T. Lay, G. C. Worrall.

9.56 D. Baker Carr, Major Eastwick.

10.00 F. Loebl, T. R. Chassels.

10.04 G. T. May, H. P. Bailey.

10.08 H. A. Browning, B. D. G. Barlow.

10.12 F. A. Redmond, D. J. Gilmore.

10.16 S. A. Steap, A. Sommerfeld.

10.20 Williamson, Comdr. Tetley.

10.24 G. H. Bowker, A. C. I. Bowker.

10.28 A. R. McEachran, J. B. Lanyon.

10.32 C. H. Bradley, E. D. Metthews.

10.36 E. Bathurst, W. H. B. Bigg.

10.40 G. Marselle, R. L. Cherrill.

10.44 W. A. Stewart, R. L. S. Webb.

10.48 G. A. Leiper, E. S. O. Dunlop.

10.52 J. G. Pilcher, J. S. MacLaren.

10.56 K. S. Robertson, W. Woodward.

11.00 C. Mycock, J. E. Dovey.

11.04 W. C. Sheehan, G. H. Boyd.

11.08 W. Pittendrigh, R. A. Rodgers.

11.12 L. A. Calcraft, J. F. Lawrie.

11.16 D. J. Keogh, K. C. Webb.

11.20 E. M. Bryden, L. R. Billingham.

11.24 J. Forbes, A. A. Bremner.

11.28 Capt. Shannon, A. McKellar.

New Course

9.40 P. A. Sellers, J. T. Edkins.

9.44 J. F. Robinson, Mrs. Turnbull.

9.52 Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Woodward.

9.56 G. F. Ross, D. W. MacEwen.

"Caddies from Superintendent."

*Unsuccessful in ballot for Old Course.

PIGEON'S EGGS

PRISON FOR FALSE PRETENCES

Cheung Lam, aged 24 years, formerly employed at a vegetable stall in the Western Market, was sent to prison for six weeks by Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Police Court this morning when he pleaded guilty to a charge of obtaining 480 pigeon's eggs from the Hang Shun shop, by falsely pretending that he was authorised by his former employers, the Mo Ki vegetable dealers.

Detective-Sergeant Clarke said that up to October last year the defendant was employed at the Mo Ki vegetable stall, Western Market, and it was part of his duty to go to the Hang Shun shop to purchase pigeon's eggs for his master. He left the employment of his own accord, stating that he was going to the country. Apparently on March 11, 14, 16, 18 and 20, the defendant obtained a total of 480 eggs, valued at \$31.55.

Replying to his Worship, the defendant stated that he sold the eggs.

TRAFFIC CASES

FINES IMPOSED IN KOWLOON COURT

Summoned before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for driving at an excessive speed through the controlled area in Nathan Road on March 4, M. Beraha, of No. 83 Waterloo Road, was fined \$5. Traffic-Sergeant Bethel stated that he was following car No. 458 through the controlled area in Nathan Road about 2.10 p.m. when private car No. 4532 overtook them both, driving at a speed of about 30 miles per hour.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on S. Manson, of the Ngai Tung Service Station, for failing to keep to the left when rounding the corner at the junction of Nathan Road and Shantung Street, at 10.35 a.m. on March 6. Traffic-Sergeant Nicol stated that defendant was driving motor-cycle No. 1092 and cut round the corner from Shantung Street, in front of bus No. 781, which was travelling along Nathan Road.

COUNTRY CLUB

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Starting times for semi-final of Ladies Championship and Men's Fourfomes on Sunday are—

10.30 a.m. Mrs. A. J. Kew, Miss M. Basto.

10.34 Mrs. A. E. Castro.

10.38 Mrs. F. E. Remedios.

10.42 H. G. Leong & C. H. Suen, J. J. Basto & L. D'Almada.

10.46 E. Leitao & F. E. Reinos, A. J. Kew & H. Kew.

LENA GOLD SETTLEMENT

Moscow, March 21.

The Commissioners' Council, highest body in the land, has ratified the agreement initiated last October between the Soviet Government Concessions Committee and the Lena Goldfields shareholders, for full settlement of the case.—Reuter.

In connection with the forthcoming performance of "Elizah" by the Hongkong Singers in the Cathedral on Thursday, March 28, at 8 p.m., it is announced that programmes are now available at Messrs. Tsang Fook's, Anderson's and Moutrie's. Owing to the encouraging increase in the membership of the Singers, Mr. Anderson Miller would greatly appreciate the loan of a few copies of the oratorio. These should be left at the Cathedral Hall, and will be returned immediately after the performance.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuter.

Mar. 20, Mar. 21.

British Government Securities

War Loan 1914-15 100% 100%

reducing after 1922 100% 100%

Chinese Bonds

4 1/2% Bonds 1898 100% 100%

(Eng. Iss.) 101 100%

4 1/2% Loan 1908 99 1/2 99 1/2

5% Loan 1912 99 1/2 99 1/2

6% Bonds 1925-47 97 1/2 97 1/2

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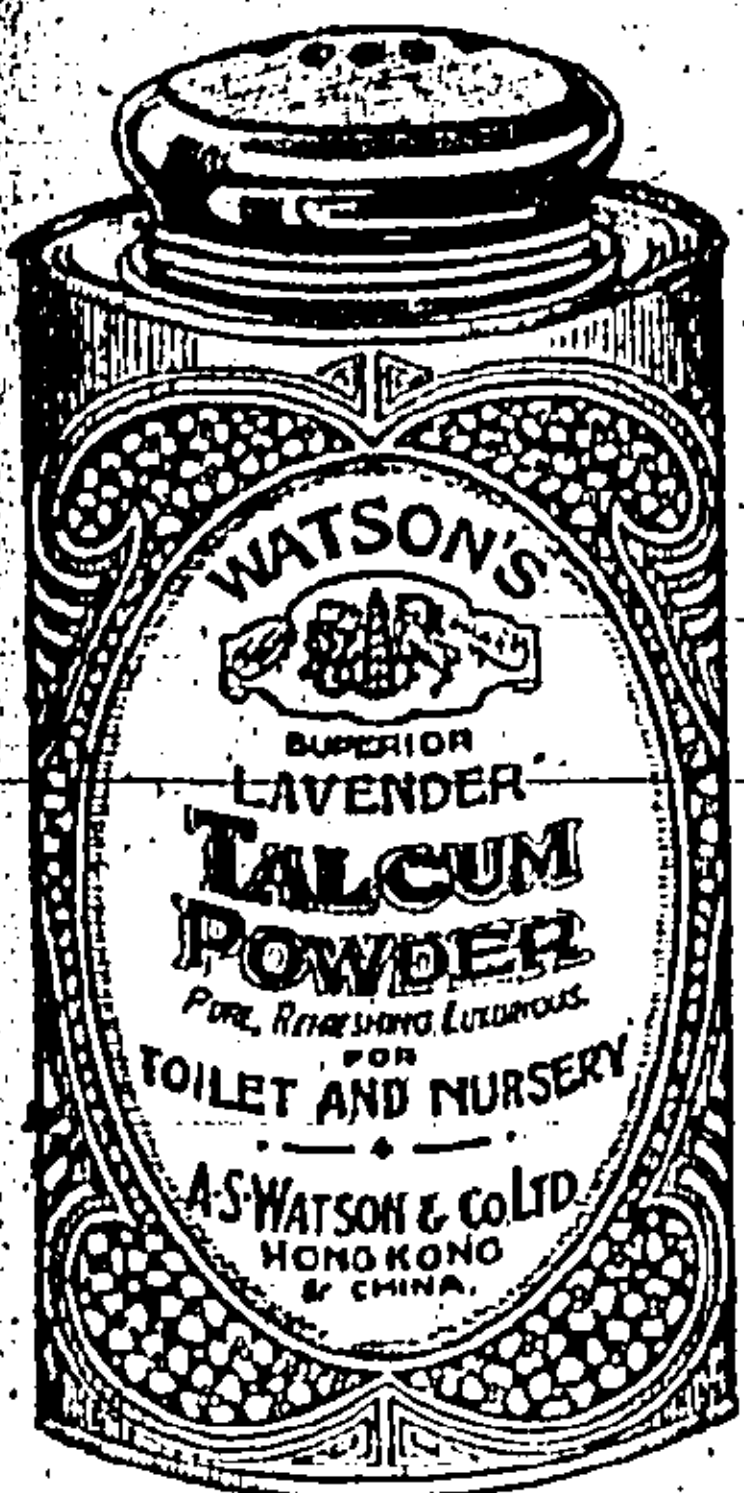
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WHY GERMANY ACTED

Although the irregularity of Germany's action in unilaterally denouncing the Versailles Treaty is beyond question, it is essential to an understanding of the situation that note should be taken of the considerations on which it is based. First, and foremost, Germany takes her stand on the words in Part V of the Treaty which read:—"In order to render possible the initiation of a general limitation of the armaments of all nations, Germany undertakes strictly to observe the military, naval and air clauses which follow." The contention is that Germany's agreement to disarm was conditional, that certain of the signatories of the Treaty have taken no steps to implement their promise, and, consequently, Germany sees no reason why she should be held to her obligations. The fact that the other Powers did contemplate disarming is beyond dispute. Proof of this can be found, apart from the terms of the Treaty, in a communication which the Allied and Associated Powers addressed to the German peace delegates before they signed the Treaty, in which it was stated that "The Allied and Associated Powers wish to make it clear that their requirements in regard to German armaments were not made solely with the object of rendering it impossible for Germany to resume her policy of military aggression; they are also the first steps towards that general reduction and limitation of armaments which they seek to bring about as one of the most fruitful preventives of war, and which it will be one of the first duties of the League of Nations to promote." It is well to remember also that leading statesmen of the nations victorious in the Great War have again and again acknowledged the moral and legal obligation to general disarmament. To cite only two instances, M. Paul Boncour, speaking at the Preparatory Disarmament Commission in 1927, stated that the real value of Part V of the Versailles Treaty was that it was a duty, "a moral and legal obligation on all who signed the document, to attend to the general limitation of armaments"; while Viscount Cecil, in the House of Lords a year earlier, declared "there is no doubt that the international

NOTES OF THE DAY

WILL CHINA FOLLOW?

While the eyes of the world are upon Europe, Belgium, as was once before the case, occupies a central position on the stage and part, at least, of the spotlight's radiance. Her neutrality, in this case, has nothing to do with the drama of politics. But her currency, and her future fiscal policy, may have much to do with the economic peace of Europe, at least. Belgium, like China, is in need of wider export markets. As a staunch member of that group of nations which has adhered consistently to the gold standard, her currency has been tied to theirs, but there is now a very good chance that Belgium may devalue, and link the belga with the pound. Such a union would necessitate a divorce from the Gold Bloc currencies, and, according to expert opinion, might result in a complete dissolution of the so-called Gold Bloc. China, meanwhile, is endeavouring to expand her export trade by less radical methods and yesterday announced a reduction of taxes on certain exportable commodities. Like Belgium, China has all along denied that she would devalue her dollar; but unlike Belgium, she cannot change her policy with a change of Government. China's Government keeps the saddle no matter what its policy may be or how its cures for monetary evils affect the country. Whether Nanking manages to navigate the white water in which the country is at present labouring, or not; and whether Nanking devalues or not, Nanking's leaders will be safe from the wrath of an electorate, if not from criticism.

PROGRESS AND LAUGHTER

The odd thing about the report which has reached the English press that laughter has been forbidden in Russia is that in certain ages of human history it would not have seemed odd at all, say the *Christian Science Monitor*. Laughter is one of the distinguishing marks of men and women, for it is generally agreed that even the laughing hyena really does very little to deserve its name. But in the ancient nations of the East laughter was apt to be looked upon as undignified; and several Greek philosophers even thought it sinister, a view which prevailed with some English thinkers as recently as the seventeenth century.

DIFFERENT INCLINATION

The fact that such an attitude seems incomprehensible to-day is a measure of the progress humanity has made within recorded time. The reason that laughter is now much more respected than it used to be is simply that men and women of the present age do not always laugh at quite the same things as did their ancestors. Much of the laughter of the past was not, in the phrase of Rupert Brooke, "laughter learnt of friends." As the late C. E. Montague, novelist and dramatic critic, observed, it was largely derisive and unkind, provoked only too often by mental or physical weakness. Fortunately, that kind of laughter becomes rarer with every generation. The contemporaries of Shakespeare found Shylock a comic figure, to be jeered at and baited, but the more considerate sensibilities of to-day discover in him elements of dignity and grandeur. The typical public humorist of the Middle Ages was the court jester, who was generally not a wit, but a butt, to be laughed at. The typical public humorist of to-day is someone like Will Rogers or Mr. P. G. Wodehouse, who laughs at us and our foibles. Thus is progress registered in the laughs of men.

obligation to reduce armaments is defined at all points." Further quotations could be cited to the same effect. It is true that the undertaking given by the Allies was in no sense so specific as that agreed to by Germany, but that fact does not make it any less binding. The point to be kept in mind is that Germany cannot be held to be solely to blame for the present situation, which is the outcome, in part, of the Powers' failure to discharge their promise. These facts need emphasising at the moment. They do not, of course, justify Germany's unilateral action—based on an utterly indefensible argument, that because others have not fulfilled their pledge, Germany is therefore entitled to ignore hers—but they do explain the circumstances which have impelled the step now taken.

ONE OF AMERICA'S GREAT MEN

By **KEES VAN HOEK**

(In The Christian Science Monitor)

THERE are two sides to every public man. Everyone knows, or can imagine, Frank B. Kellogg in the glamour of his position as a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague. Not many know him as a private person. In that magnificent Court Hall of the Peace Palace an ever-fresh wave of emotion ripples among spectators when the usher pronounces the magical words, "La-Cour," followed by the entry of those judges who do not summon before them mere individuals, but who summon the nations themselves. Mr. Kellogg is one of the smallest in stature amongst the imposing row of his world-eminent colleagues, but he stands out more markedly than his above the distinguished sobriety of the ruffled lace over the black velvet and silken robes.

And he is a burgher of The Hague now. I once saw the entries in front of the simple palace of the Queen-Mother spinning to attention as a magnificent limousine rolled up in front of the terrace. Almost before the car had stopped a short square figure had worked itself out of the cushions, had alighted and, without waiting for flunkies to throw open the door which stood ajar, Frank Kellogg, citizen of the United States, had found his way in unattended!

One morning I sat opposite him in his small but luxuriously furnished study in the Peace Palace. There the former Senator, former Ambassador and former Secretary of State, now works. The Assembly of the League of Nations in September, 1930, by a unanimous vote, made him a Judge of the World Court.

Mr. Kellogg is a typical man of the New World. His distinguished, sunken face has a very individual beauty, though it probably would not meet the classic standards of old Hellas. There is strength in his mouth, his light blue eyes are irresistible and his white silky hair spins a halo of distinction above his broad brow.

"I was born in Potsdam," Mr. Kellogg tells me and, seeing my surprise, he hurriedly adds: "not the Potsdam near Berlin, but a little town in the State of New York. Soon we moved to St. Paul in the state of Minnesota, and I've lived there now for more than sixty years; yes, and loved it!" Thus speaks this local patriot.

"But your career almost constantly called you away from your home town," I remarked.

"All that you can find in 'Who's Who in America,'" he answered, waving the question aside. "What will interest you most in my career will be the six years of my Senatorship. Then, from 1923 to 1925, I was Ambassador in London, to become, upon the resignation of Mr. Hughes, Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Coolidge. After four years of office I handed over my task to Mr. Stimson, Mr. Cordell Hull's predecessor. And since," he laughs, "I have more time for my daily round of golf."

"Do I like The Hague? I knew it years ago; it has become a magnificent town, but what I admire most in Holland is the in-

fluence which it has always exercised in the cause of world peace. Holland has been able to do much, thanks largely to her jurists of world-wide reputation."

"What do you think of the international situation nowadays?"

"There can be no doubt that international understanding has constantly progressed notwithstanding occasional setbacks. The world has dared to take many a step towards arbitration, and has attempted such tasks as it never shouldered before. In this respect the historian can start a totally fresh page."

"On which you have engraved your name for all ages," I add.

Modestly the American statesman amends this remark.

"The initiative was Briand's," he said. "M. Briand proposed to me a Treaty between the United States and France through which war between our two countries would be banned forever. That was in March, 1925. I only wanted to bind my country to such a treaty as would ban war with any state, and in August, 1928, fifteen powers signed the pact, to be followed by countless others."

A silence falls. Then Mr. Kellogg continues:

"My pact is not couched in diplomatic phraseology. It is plain language, plainly stating that the high contracting parties will in no circumstances resort to arms, but will solve all their differences in a peaceful way!"

I hesitated to touch upon what I fancied might be a tender spot when I referred to the matter of intervention by the United States in Central America, a policy which has always troubled Europe.

"We only protect the lives and property of our citizens," the former Secretary of State explains; and adds: "The situation in Central America grows constantly more stable."

With great emphasis he sums up:

"We have not the slightest desire for conquest of any kind. We are already big enough and no American, whether he lives in New York in the Middle West or on the Pacific coast ever dreams of annexation or aggrandisement."

"How do you see the future?" I finally inquired.

"There will always be international difficulties and problems, but the nations have to be educated to understand that wars are a barbaric means of solving them. A means, moreover, that is too brutal really to solve any problem. Only by peaceful methods, under international justice and jurisdiction, will the world be able to settle its problems. Towards such education of the nations the churches—and I speak as a convinced Christian—can probably do the best work."

In the marble corridors of the Peace Palace the sun cast broad rays of gold. Along one wall each door carries a world-famous name: Anzilotti, Eysinga, Cecil Hurst, (Continued on Page 4.)

The Very Idea!

DUMB BELLES LETTRES

Compiled by Juliet Lowell
Good News For Pop

"Pop" Warner, Football Coach, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

Dear Pop Warner:
I am a miner and a very good one and a very strong one and none of the boys are stronger as me. I can get on my belly and eat out more coal than three boys.

I am proud of how strong I am. You need football players, strong ones, especially after you lost those two big games. You never could get a bigger or stronger football player than me and I am even willing to come out to see you. Just wait and see how I crash through the line. Send me the money to come to California and it will make a lot of difference to Stanford and you, Mr. Pop Warner.

Frank M.



You never could get a bigger or stronger football player than me.

All Clear — Pa.
May 7, 1930.

Young & Co.,
Allentown,
Pa.
Gentlemen:

Please send me one gall green paint meadow green. Please sent rite away. I sink I neat next week. I sent de money cash. Please exsimele de lit on de kikel.

Yours,
Andrew C.

Love From Japan

Tokio, Japan.
Miss Dorothea Wieck,
Hollywood, Calif.

My beloved Miss Dorothea Wieck. When I looked on "Madchen in uniform" I don't forget you even for a little while. How noble and solemn form. When hear through the talkie, you sweet voice, and one's figure.

I could hardly keep my heart from throbbing with joy. The more I look on you better you appear beloved. I looked eleven times that cinema. I longing on you from the heart.

Nobujiro.

Why Not Use Ten Pennies?

Tarrytown, N.Y.
June 3, 1920.

Dr. Snyder.

New York City.

Dear Doctor:

I don't feel better, I feel worse. Especially when I think what you charged me. Did everything you told me to, even to measuring the powder on the money. As I didn't have a dime, I put enough powder to cover two nickels.

When do you think the pain will go away?

Arthur C.

(signed).

Double or Nothing

Whiting & Davis Company,

Plainville,

Norfolk Co. Mass.

Gentlemen:

You owe me \$5.00. I was walking down Fifth Avenue carrying your bag. It opened and the \$5 dropped out. Send me the cash at once.

Truly yours,

Mrs. Kay F.

(signed).

SAYINGS OF THE WEEK

I see there is still much discussion as to whether Bacon ever met Shakespeare. Does anyone really care? But I tremble to think of the consequences had Bacon never met Eggs.—Sir Rasher Scrambleham.

They tell me that the next war will blot out civilization. I am well content. Civilization has become synonymous with the triumphs of the canning industry. Canned beef, canned beans, canned Berilloz, canned Bach. Give me a civilization that can't.—Dean Nokou.

The "modern girl"—this—the "modern girl" that—I'm fed to the neck with our moralists. Shall I tell you something? The first moralist was Adam, and the first "modern girl" was Eve. And what was that to either of 'em?—Dame Petunia Tooth.



"I wish I knew him better. Should I send him this real pretty picture or the one that makes me look intelligent?"

Body-Line Bowling Ban Approved

NOTTS COUNTY'S LAST WORD CONTROVERSY AT AN END

(Special to "Telegraph")

London, March 21. The annual meeting of the Notts County Cricket Club today unanimously carried a "pence" resolution, approving the motion passed by the Advisory County Cricket Committee last November banning that type of bowling known as the "body-line" delivery.

The Club disapproved of bowling which could be suspected of being a direct attack upon a batsman, and approved of the laying down of authority for County captains to take all steps to eliminate this type of bowling from the game entirely.

This is generally taken to be the last phase of the body-line controversy.

The Notts Club rescinded the vote of non-confidence in the Committee passed last November.

Sir Julian Cahn was elected president of the Club on the nomination of the Duke of Portland. —*Reuter Special.*

BURGLARY AND THEFTS MAN ADMITS FOUR CHARGES

A charge of burglary, two charges of theft and a charge of being found in No. 31 Southwall Road in the early hours of Wednesday, were preferred against Wong Lay-man, aged 22, unemployed, who was brought before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The charges against the defendant were, burglary and theft of clothing at No. 1 Southwall Road on Wednesday; theft of clothing from No. 58 Ngai Tin Wai Road; theft of a jacket and four chopsticks from No. 27 Southwall Road; and being found in No. 31 Southwall Road on Wednesday with intent to commit a felony.

Sub-Inspector Post, prosecuting, stated that defendant was arrested at 2.30 a.m. on Wednesday at No. 31 Southwall Road. He had a gimlet in his possession. He was taken to the police station where he admitted the thefts. All the clothing had been recovered, but the chopsticks had been sold to marine hawkers.

The defendant pleaded guilty to all charges and was sentenced to five months' hard labour.

MEETING BOAT COMPETITION

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the single rate, the fares from Hongkong to Canton, and vice versa being \$1.20 and Canton \$1.60 respectively. In both instances, however, return fares have been introduced, the rates being Kowloon-Canton \$1.80; Canton-Kowloon \$2.40 (Canton Currency).

The fast through train from Kowloon to Canton at 12.32 p.m. is to be speeded up so that the complete journey will now take three hours and twenty minutes, instead of the three hours and forty-five minutes as at present. The train will now stop only at Shumshun, Tong Tau Ha, Wong Lik, Cheung Mok Tau and Shek Lung.

In connection with the Ching Ming Festival, special trains will be added to the existing service on April 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, leaving Kowloon at 8 a.m. to arrive in Canton at 10.50 a.m. and from Canton at 11.40 a.m. arriving in Kowloon at 2.50 p.m.

ABYSSINIA'S PREPAREDNESS

PROVINCIAL FORCES WARNED

(Special to "Telegraph")

Addis Ababa, Mar. 22. The Emperor of Abyssinia has ordered the provincial governors to be in readiness "for any possible emergency" arising out of the Italian dispute. —*United Press.*

DRIZZLE OR MIST

A strong anticyclone is centred over East China. It is moving eastward. A depression appears to be forming over N.W. China. Local forecast: —N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

LORRY DRIVER'S TRIAL

FINAL ADDRESSES TO JURY

Counsel concluded their addresses to the jury in the continued trial at the Criminal Sessions this morning of Leung Yim, lorry driver, charged with the manslaughter of a Chinese boy named Lau Cheuk-so on Island Road on January 29, when the lorry collided with a car containing the boy and seven other passengers.

Mr. R. C. H. Lim, instructed by Mr. Peter H. Sin, reminded the jury that if they found that accused was in any way to blame for the accident by negligence, they had also to find that the negligence was gross before they could find him guilty.

There was no suggestion that his client was travelling at an excessive speed, or that the vehicle was unfit to be driven, but it was alleged that the lorry was overloaded and that the driver's vision was obscured by protruding iron bars at the side of his seat. The defence contended that his vision was not restricted so much as not to give him a clear view of the road at the point where the collision occurred, and that it was the Fiat car trying to cross from its incorrect side to the left side of the road which was responsible for the accident.

Mr. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, dealt lengthily with the evidence and submitted that as the lorry driver could see only 17 degrees from his front to his right, he could not see the road clearly in front of him and was crossing the road to take a right-hand corner with no regard to the approaching car. The lorry was one ton eight hundredweight more than the lorry was constructed to carry, and the driver must have noticed that the vehicle was overloaded, unless he was accustomed to carrying such loads always.

JUDGE SUMS UP

Chief Justice A. D. A. MacGregor, said the jury must convict if they agreed with the Crown's story that accused deliberately took a grave risk in taking a dangerous vehicle on the road. It was unfortunate that evidence regarding the alleged faulty steering and braking of the car was not quite clear. Police evidence and the expert evidence for the defence was contradictory as to the condition of the car, but it had at any rate been driven some distance that day without untoward incident, so that if the car had had defects, it would seem that they had been mastered by the driver on the day of the accident.

The case is proceeding.

YOUTH HEAVILY FINED

SEQUEL TO SERIOUS ASSAULT

A fine of \$250, or six months' hard labour, was imposed upon Kwok Kwai-wing, aged 17, a painter, when he appeared before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was convicted of inflicting grievous bodily harm on Tam Wai, aged 28, a shop feli, on March 6.

Detective Sub-Inspector Poyntz stated that complainant lived at No. 276 Tai Nam Street, and had a dispute with his landlord over the rent. The defendant was put in charge of the flat by the landlord, and, as the result of an argument, the complainant went to the police station. On his return he was struck over the head by the defendant and it was alleged that a chopper was used. Sub-Inspector Poyntz, in asking the Magistrate to take a serious view of the case, stated that if complainant had not been wearing a hat, the case might have been a more serious one. The complainant was kept in the hospital from March 6 to March 8.

His Worship, in sentencing the defendant, said: —Do you realise you might have been standing there charged with murder? I take a very serious view of this case. You will go to prison for six months.

The defendant asked for the option of a fine, and a fine of \$250 was imposed.

BRITAIN ASKS REPAYMENT

CHINA REMINDED OF RAILWAY DEBT

Nanking, March 22. Sir Alexander Cadogan, the British Ambassador to China, has communicated to the Chinese Foreign Office the request of the British Government that payment of principal and interest of the British loan for the construction of the Shanghai-Peking branch line railway be made at once.

The Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railways. —*Reuter.*

WORLD MARCHING TOWARDS WAR

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based not on rearmament, but on disarmament.

The Liberal leader, Sir Herbert Samuel, said that in describing the effect on the minds of the British people by the German declaration, Mr. Lansbury had in no degree used language of exaggeration.

FOUR POINTS

The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, said he hoped to have frank discussions with the German Chancellor, for the visit called for complete frankness, and a discussion of a sort that could not be preceded by a public rehearsal. The series of visits would be exploratory in character. He recalled the terms of the London declaration of February 3, the tone of which was recognised by Germany as fair and friendly, and following which an invitation was extended for the present visit. He had thought it necessary to make it entirely clear that the scope and purpose of the visit should not be limited to some particular item raised in the London communiqué, but that the meeting should have before it the full width of its subject-matter.

There were to be four points of discussion, namely, exchanges of views on security, on armaments, on the return of Germany to the League and on the proposed Air Pact. It was only when an assurance was forthcoming on the German side that the discussion should be as wide as that, that Britain communicated with other Governments.

GRAVE QUESTION

Not only were these four topics thus marked down, but it was the basis of the proposed visit that they should be discussed with a view to ultimately reaching a solution by agreement. It was in those circumstances that events occurred at the end of last week to which Mr. Lansbury had referred in such grave and appropriate terms. It had inevitably provoked protests from the British, French and Italian Governments.

A very grave question arose as to the proper course to take. It was obvious that unilateral action inevitably raised a question as to the value of any agreement, and that was had preparation for a future agreement. But he suggested that the course the Government had tried to take with reference to this most grave event was the wiser one. To refuse to go, to cancel the engagement, would lead nowhere. They therefore demanded an assurance that the scope of the conversations should be in no way restricted.

The present state of suspicion and unrest in Europe could not be allayed without security by negotiation and an agreement on all four matters mentioned, and, in those circumstances, having made that reservation and protest, the Government had taken the view that it was necessary and right to continue this business. He offered no observation on the date of the German announcement, but its nature and contents, which threw such a disturbing light on the prospect of settlement by agreement, demanded notice.

LARGE FIGURE

The figure indicated by the declaration of German effectives was so large, so considerable an advance over the figures suggested less than a year ago, and indeed excluded what any Power in Western Europe at the present time could match, that it raised grave doubts as to whether, if such figures were persisted in, agreement with some of Germany's neighbours would be possible.

Concluding Sir John Simon said they would go to Berlin determined to do everything Britain could to promote peace and to secure it. The object of British policy had throughout been to help to bring this great State back into the councils of the comity of Europe, on terms just to her and fair and secure for all, so that she, with her great talent and resources, might contribute, with a full sense of equal status and dignity, to the task which every good European who wanted peace had got to share. —*British Wireless.*

S'HAH MARKET REPORT

EXCHANGE EASY AT OPENING

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, March 22. The foreign exchange market is surprisingly easy here this morning in view of the London-New York rate being up and the firmness of London silver, which normally should have indicated a firm foreign exchange market.

Speculators here, however, are inclined to regard the \$100,000,000 bond issue as being inflationary. As far as is known at present, though, there is no issue of currency notes involved in the scheme. The market is steadier at 10.45 a.m. American dollars touched a low of 37 3/4.

The undertone of the market, however, remains easy. Sentiment is still very nervous and is easily influenced either way. It is worthy of note that, despite rumours to the contrary, the Central Bank is not selling in order to ease the decline. Rates are steady on the market here at 12.20 p.m., but the market has turned extremely quiet. —*United Press.*

CUSTOMS CRUISERS TO HUNT PIRATES

BRITISH MINISTER'S SUGGESTION

Nanking, March 22. It is learned in diplomatic circles that the Chinese Foreign Office has addressed a memorandum to the British Legation at Peking approving of Sir Alexander Cadogan's proposal that Chinese Maritime Customs cruisers join in the piracy prevention work along the China coast.

The memorandum adds that Sir Alexander's proposal entirely conforms with the Anti-Piracy Regulations promulgated by the Chinese Government recently. —*Central News.*

CHINA GOLD EXPORTS

Shanghai, March 21. According to the Chinese Maritime Customs returns, silver imports into Shanghai during January and February showed an excess of \$2,936,400 over exports, while, during the same period, gold exports showed an excess of \$9,312,434 over imports. —*Central News.*

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DIPLOMATS MEET

London, Mar. 21. Further consultations on the European situation took place today. Visitors at the Foreign Office included Monsieur Corbin, French Ambassador, and Mr. Roy Atherton, of the United States Embassy.

Mr. Anthony Eden, who will accompany the Foreign Secretary on his visit to Berlin on Sunday, proceeding at its conclusion to Moscow and later visiting Warsaw, has accepted the invitation of the Czechoslovakian Government to spend the morning of April 4 at Prague. He expects to leave for London by aeroplane that afternoon. —*British Wireless.*

LEAGUE MEETINGS

London, Mar. 21. The meeting of the League Council at which the French Government's communication bearing on the recent German decision will be considered, will probably take place early in April. In view of the broad basis upon which the French appeal to the League is made, it is assumed that occasion will be taken for an important discussion of the whole question of European security. —*British Wireless.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

POVERTY, LABOUR, AND CALAMITY ARE NOT WITHOUT THEIR LUXURIES, WHICH THE RICH, THE INDOLENT, AND THE FORTUNATE IN VAIN SEEK FOR. —*Hazlitt.*

R. H. Church, driver of private car No. 3719, summoned before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, for driving his car beyond the sign-post in May Road, that portion of the road being closed to motor traffic, without the permission of the Inspector General of Police, who fined \$10. Defendant stated that his car was misfiring badly, and as he could not go up the steep Glenally road, he went round the May Road gradient.

All Service units in the Colony changed to their summer dress yesterday.

Two unemployed men, Pang, Ho, aged 29, and To, aged 30, were brought before Mr. Grantham at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged respectively with stealing and receiving, a barometer. The first defendant pleaded guilty and stated that when he gave the barometer to the second defendant to keep, he did not tell him it was stolen. A fine of \$60, with the alternative of one month's hard labour, was imposed on the first defendant, while the second defendant was discharged. Detective Sergeant Franklin, who the barometer was stolen from a junk at Douglas wharf on Wednesday.

RADIO BROADCAST

Talk on How to Listen To Music

GRAMOPHONE RECITAL

From 21.15 on a wavelength of 555 metres (541.5 cycles).

7.47 p.m. Chinese Programme.

7.53-7.59 p.m. From the Studio. The 4th of a series of talks on "How to Listen to Music" by a Local Amateur.

7.59-8.05 p.m. Band Selections. Florodora (Stuart).

8.05-8.11 p.m. Riddigore (Sullivan, arr. Winterbottom).

8.11-8.17 p.m. What's yours?—A Convivial Medley (arr. Somers).

8.17-8.23 p.m. Hawaiian Music. Lion Rag.

8.23-8.29 p.m. Lonesome without my baby. All through the Night—Waltz. Blue Sparks.

8.29-8.35 p.m. My South Sea Sweetheart.

8.35-8.41 p.m. Time and Weather Report.

8.41-8.47 p.m. A Variety Programme. Orchestra—Silly Symphonies—Selection.

8.47-8.53 p.m. Piano Duets—Kitten on the Keys; Russian Rag.

8.53-9.00 p.m. Piano Duets—Nola; Polly; Ivor Morston and Dave Kaye. Vocal—Whispering.

9.00-9.06 p.m. Vocal—Ten for Two. Comedy Harmonists.

9.06-9.12 p.m. Instrumental—Memories of you; Rain; Goodbye Blues.

9.12-9.18 p.m. Instrumental—It don't mean a thing; Happy Feet; Everybody loves my baby; I got Rhythm.

9.18-9.24 p.m. Vocal Duet—Ding Dong, Ping Pong. Orchestra—Steamboat Bill.

9.24-9.30 p.m. Vocal—Violent Love; Mealey.

9.30-9.36 p.m. Four Ways Suite (Eric Coates).

9.36-9.42 p.m. Regal Cinema Orchestra.

9.42-9.48 p.m. From the Studio.

9.48-9.54 p.m. A 36th Recital of Gramophone records by the Rev. C. H. R. Sargent.

9.54-10.00 p.m. Press Bulletins, Stock Quotations.

10.00-10.06 p.m. Two Violin Solos by Nounum Blinder.

10.06-10.12 p.m. Ave Maria (Schubert, arr. Wilhelm).

10.12-10.18 p.m. Caprice Viennois (Kreisler, Op. 2).

10.18-10.24 p.m. Dance Music.

10.24-10.30 p.m. Press Bulletins, Stock Quotations.

10.30-10.36 p.m. Close Down.

KZRM PROGRAMME

This Evening's Broadcast From Manila

The following programme will be broadcast from Manila this evening by KZRM.

6.00 p.m.—Guitar Solos by Mendel Adone.

6.10 p.m.—Spanish International Period.

6.30 p.m.—English International Period.

7.00 p.m.—Dollar Steamship Company Programme (Chain KZEG).

7.15 p.m.—Mapa String Ensemble.

7.30 p.m.—Songs by Sergio Desquillado.

7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia Programme—Herrmann Trio.

8.00 p.m.—Club Beauty Products Programme.

8.15 p.m.—Commemorative Programme in honour of Nicanor Abelardo, foremost Filipino composer, under the direction of Antonio Buenaventura.

8.30 p.m.—Stock Quotations.

9.00 p.m.—Hay View Hotel Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—Reveries.

10.30 p.m.—Sign Off.

ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

SOUTH ASIA ZONE

South Asia Zone broadcast from DJB, (10.74 metres) and DJN (14.6 metres):

6.45 p.m. DJB, DJN Announcement (German, English).

6.55 p.m. German Folk Song, Programme Forecast (German, English).

7.05 p.m. Folk Music.

7.20 p.m. News in English.

7.45 p.m. For the Young Folk: The Story of the Nibelungs.

8.30 p.m. Finnish Songs Recital. Aspa Simila.

8.45 p.m. News in German.

9.00 p.m. Concert of Light Music.

9.15 p.m. News in English.

9.30 p.m. Close down DJB, DJN (German).

EAST ASIA ZONE

East Asia Zone broadcast from DJA, on 31.28 metres, and DJN (14.6 metres):

9 p.m. DJA, DJN Announcement (German, English).

9.15 p.m. German Folk Song, Programme Forecast (German, English).

9.30 p.m. Women's Hour. A Sunday in the good old time.

9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and 10 p.m. In Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Birth of Joh. Seb. Bach.

11 p.m. Teclara Moments in German History: The Spirit and Meaning of Potsdam Day.

11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA and DJN.

11.30 p.m. Concert of Items by Request.

12.15 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

12.30 a.m. Close down DJA, DJN (German, English).

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

To-day's Broadcasting From Four Transmissions

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry:


Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
CSA	6,555 k.c.	45.78 metres
CSB	6,510 k.c.	46.08 metres
GSC	9,545 k.c.	31.33 metres
GSD	11,720 k.c.	25.53 metres
GSE	11,844 k.c.	25.23 metres
GSP	15,140 k.c.	19.82 metres
GSH	17,740 k.c.	16.88 metres
GSI	21,470 k.c.	13.97 metres
GSL	25,240 k.c.	11.88 metres
GSM	31,540 k.c.	9.50 metres

Transmission 5 (G.S.C. and G.S.A.)

8 a.m. Big Ben, The Sylvan Trio.

9 a.m. Greenwich Time Signal at 12 Midnight.

9 a.m. The Imperial Press Conference.



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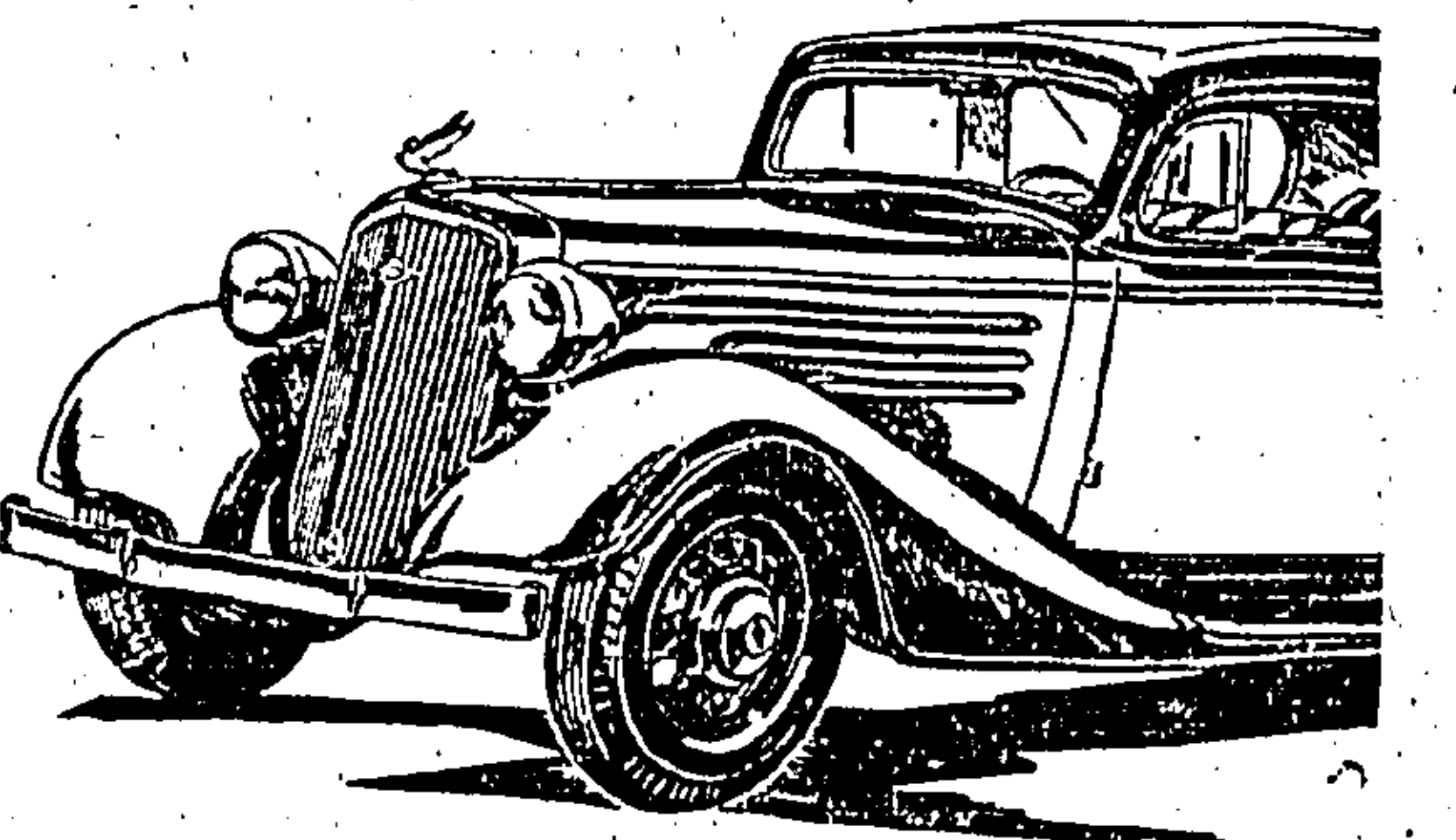
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<p>1932. Speeches by General Sir H. H. J. Smith, G.C.B., K.C., and Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P. (President of the Empire Press Union).</p> <p>8.30 a.m. Old Hamilton (British Forces Compo) playing and singing a programme of his own songs.</p> <p>8.45 a.m. The News.</p> <p>9 a.m. Close down.</p> <p>Transmission 2 (G.S.P. and G.S.C.)</p> <p>9 a.m. Big Ben. The Western Studio Orchestra.</p>	<p>7.15 p.m. The Imperial Press Conference, 1935. Speeches by General Sir H. H. J. Smith, G.C.B., K.C., and Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P. (President of the Empire Press Union).</p> <p>7.45 a.m. An Organ Recital by David Greig, M.P.</p> <p>Greenwich Time Signal at 12 Noon.</p> <p>8.15 p.m. Nightwatch Series. A Story of the British Press.</p> <p>(Continued on Page 7.)</p>
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CHAMPIONS V. REST CRICKET: DISCOURTEOUS ACT

CLUB CAPTAINS NOT CONSIDERED

UNECESSARY ARRANGEMENT OF MATCH LAST SATURDAY

HOW ARMY SECURED RUNNERS-UP HONOURS

(By R. Abbit)

As far as I can make out, the decision to play the Shield winners v the Rest was taken rather at the last moment. Why the authorities who manage the League should have taken such sudden action I do not know, nor do I know if they realized the implication of their action. When the game began there were still three matches undecided and the only logical conclusion is that the authorities consider that the winning of the shield is the only thing that counts.

Personally I cannot agree with that attitude, and I do not think it makes for general interest in the game. To my mind the real interest of the League lies in the order and details of the completed League table—and not merely in the name at the top.

To play that match off before the League programme was finished, with no enquiry as to the views of the captains of the sides with games yet to be played—I speak definitely as regards one of the teams—seems to me to savour somewhat of discourtesy. And again, the removal of two of the Army players on a day when they could not count on several of their regular players owing to military duties might, even against the weakest side in the League, have cost the Army a win, and therewith the position of runners-up.

Fortunately for them Garthwaite was in his best form, and, as the Civil Service refused to play sticky cricket, all was well.

A DIFFICULT JOB

I am fully aware that it is a difficult job to run the League and that there may have been some points in favour of the course they took. If it was regarded as a *sine qua non* that the game should be played on the Club ground I can understand the position as it is awkward about the tennis stand, and also I believe the second eleven have a couple more matches to play at home.

But surely the game could have been played on the 30th March, on the K.C.C. ground? By the way I rather assume that they would lend it—anyway I have never known them to refuse to do so yet?

Be all that as it may, however, I still think that every effort should be made to keep up interest in the League. And this rather confirms my view that, in the absence of the League, local cricket would get very ragged after the first half of the season.

THE BIG GAME

There is no doubt, however, that the game itself was a great success. The players—or most of them—managed to get away to make an early start shortly after twelve o'clock, and the Rest of the League batted first.

There was a very short boundary at the Law Courts end, and, as someone put it, a spared smashie shot dropped safe into the stand. The rest made an excellent start though runs did not come too rapidly. Bill Williams was a bit slower than Fincher who was first to go with 31 on the board.

Newsom, who had come into the side for Branwell, got into double figures and then had an awful yaboo at one of Pearce's and was bowled neck and crop.

At this period the Club definitely got on top of the game, for Gosano poked up a very tame one to short leg off Dick Ricketts who proceeded to get on with the good work and outed Holland Martin and Walsh very promptly.

Williams had left after Gosano

and so the Rest, who had had 50 on the board for one wicket, had it taken for 66. But there the Club's success ended.

Rodriguez and Madar dug themselves in and the spin bowlers were collared. I heard it said that perhaps too much use was made of them, and that Duckitt and Redmond might have been used a bit more.

I did not see the game, however, and cannot say if this was so.

THE TAIL WAGS

Rodriguez and Madar put on just under 60 runs, and then Madar brushed up and Minu and Frank Pereira rattled up useful contributions.

The score of 204 for nine was considerably in excess of what had previously appeared likely and was the product of stubborn batting.

It was a pretty hot day and I don't think this helped the Club bowlers who had to do their work in the full heat of the sun.

AN EARLY WICKET

The Club went in to bat just after four with about 140 minutes (Continued on Page 9).

Shanghai Badminton Championship

NORTH AND DUFF ENTER FINAL

The semi-finals in the Shanghai mixed doubles and men's doubles badminton championships were played off during the week-end and both events the results were somewhat different to what was expected.

North and Duff had a clear cut win over Squires and Nance by the rather one-sided score of 15-3 and 15-2. The latter team's performance was disappointing after the good show they made against their opponents, Senna and Silya, in the first round. North and Duff showed to advantage in this match with well placed clearings and powerful smashes.

The final in the men's doubles will be between Meise and Beronts, the present holders, and North and Duff. The outcome of the match is difficult to predict, and if North and Duff keep up the form they have been showing in their last two matches it is not improbable that they will be successful in lifting the crown from the present holders.

The match in the semi-finals of the mixed doubles was hard fought and resulted in a win for Miss In Sinclair and Clarke over the present holders of the title, Mrs. Gate and Meise, by the score of 15-8, 15-18 and 15-11. The winners now meet Mrs. Arnold Jones and Beronts in the final.

Americans To Win Grand National

HOME WRITER'S TIP

London, Mar. 21. Follow the Americans because it is an odds-on chance that an American horse will win the Grand National, is the advice given by "Galliard", turf expert of the *Sunday Chronicle*, in summing up the prospects for the great jumping race March 29.

The catch in this seemingly daring statement is, that by a stretch of his imagination, "Galliard" makes the favourite, Miss Dorothy Paget's Golden Miller, have American connections.

"I am taking the liberty of regarding Golden Miller as an American," he writes. "It was virtually American money which bought him." "His owner, the Hon. Dorothy Paget is a daughter of Lord Queensborough, but I am betraying no domestic secrets in stating that the money which has made her probably the richest woman in Britain came from her mother, a member of the Whitney family."

Then Miss Paget's cousin, J. H. Whitney, owns Thomond II, who is second favourite to Golden Miller in the Grand National, to say nothing of Double Crossed and Royal Ransom (a doubtful starter).

AMERICANS DOMINATING

"Add to these other American-owned horses—Dolanville (J. B. Snow) and Castle Irwell (George H. Bostwick)—and you will appreciate the truth of my statement that it is odds-on one of the American horses winning the jumping big riband."

Apart from the question of the Grand National, the Americans are already dominating the English jumping season. This is due to several causes, but principally, money.

Whitney, Snow, Bostwick, F. Ambrose Clark and his wife, have all paid fairly lavishly for their jumpers, while the British with money prefer spending it on the flat-racing.

Looking back over the big deals since the war, Americans and others take priority. A Belgian millionaire paid \$50,000 for Koko, and A. G. Schwartz paid \$35,000 for Jack Harrier a few weeks before he won the Grand National nine years ago. Whitney has paid several big sums for his Irish importations into England. Royal Ransom, who cost \$25,000, and Thomond II cost most, it is understood.—*United Press.*

AGA KHAN AND THE DERBY

TIPPED TO WIN CLASSIC

London, Mar. 21. The chances of His Highness the Aga Khan winning the Derby are estimated at the remarkable short odds of six to four against.

One man alone has already placed \$3,000 to win him \$12,000 if one of the millionaire Indian Prince's entries gets home first in the world's greatest race, to be run at Epsom, June 5.

At present the Aga Khan has five entries in the race. They are Theft, Vermorel II, Bahram, Hindoo Holiday and Halran. It is quite possible that two or three of these will run.

Bahram, a brilliant two-year-old during the last season, is the present Derby favourite at 6-1 and Halran and Lord Derby's Bobleigh are generally quoted at 7-1. Ten to one could probably be had about Theft, and very long odds are offered against Vermorel II and Hindoo Holiday.

King George has three entries: Bonnie Dundee, Marconi and Fairlead, and six Americans are represented by ten entries. They are: Mrs. Chester Beatty—Plunger and Remorse; Marshall Field's—Santorini and J. R. Smith; Mrs. Corlette Glorney—Assignment; Mrs. Washington Singer—Leighon Tor colt; J. E. Widener—Saint Andrews II, and William Woodward—Spinner, Woolsey II and Fresh Fox.

ENGLAND TO WIN DAVIS CUP

IF PERRY STAYS AN AMATEUR

OPINES BOROTRA

Paris, Mar. 21. Great Britain will retain the Davis Cup if Fred Perry has not joined the professional ranks by July when the Challenge Round should bring together the defender and the Australian, Jean Borotra predicted to the *United Press* to-day.

"The British and Australian teams are in a dead heat," said this most colourful of tennis players. "But the British will win because they will go into the fray fresh while the Australians will be fatigued after fighting their way through the eliminations which will be one of the toughest in years."

The Banque dismissed the chances of the United States, "which is composed of untried youngsters" and his own country, whom he thinks will be eliminated in the very first round by the Australians.

FRANCE'S TEAM

Borotra who last month won the French indoor singles title for the tenth time, making it the 40th net crown of his career, declared that he would be a member of the French Davis Cup team. He and "Toto" Brugnon, the two remaining members of the original four Musketeers, who brought the Cup to France and kept it there for six consecutive years, will carry the doubles burden once again.

Christian Bousset, frail left-hander, and Andre Merila, who is now recovering from an injured leg, will represent France in the singles. Marcel Bernard, promising left-hander, will be on the squad and play if Merila has not recovered in time.

Borotra, who has always been a great favourite in the United States, said that he had hoped until the very last moment to participate in the forthcoming U. S. indoor championships but that "business came first."

Turning to the subject of professional tennis, Borotra was of the opinion that the tension between the moneyed players and the "honest" players was slowly being slackened and that sometime "in the far future" he saw the probability of an open tourney along the line of those held at the present time in golf.

"I don't think that any further concessions should be made to the amateurs," he said. "Either an athlete is an amateur or a pro. Perry should not be permitted to act in films and still retain his amateur status. The French Federation, of which I am vice-president, will oppose it. As the motion requires a two-thirds majority, I don't see how it will pass the international body."

THE BEST PLAYERS

Asked to pick the best tennis players he ever saw, Borotra picked Perry without hesitation. Bill Tilden, Norman Brookes, Henri Cochet and Rene Lacoste. These four, he said, were about equal with no preference to be shown.

"I deliberately left Ellsworth Vines of California out of the list. Vines may eventually take his place among the greatest net stars of all time," he said, "but he is still young and hasn't had the time to establish his right to that claim. He has the best service I have ever seen and the execution of his strokes is marvellous. He must still show improvement and his ability as a fighter before I will place him in my list of the really great."

BRITISH AND U.S. GOLFERS

Vivid Contrast Of Style

On their way back from Australia the four members of the British team—the Hon. Michael Scott (captain), J. McLean, T.D. Bourn, and L. A. Garnett—stayed a few days at New York. There was no question of playing golf, since every course within five hundred miles was buried under a blanket of snow. But in a talk with American golf journalists Scott had a good many interesting things to say.

He told with a sense of pride the story of McLean's wonderful victory in the Melbourne Centenary Championship when he was fifteen under 49 after a week of intensive 36-hole matches. For the entire Australian trip, including the Open Championship, in which he finished ahead of Runyan and Donamore Shute, two members of the American professional team, McLean was, nine under 49. "McLean, who swings slowly like the best American players, is our finest amateur," said Scott.

He added: "When British golfers, especially the amateurs, learn to hit a golf ball in tournaments as they do in practice, then we might start giving you Americans a battle. American amateurs and professionals swing in competition as they do on the practice ground; but our players, with few exceptions, hit practice shots beautifully, and then, when someone is at stake, go out and try to kill the ball. It is the old story of the hitter versus the swingers. Englishmen are hitters; Americans are swingers."

To emphasize his point, Scott recalled an occasion when he was playing with R. T. Jones at Royal St. George's. On a tee nearly prepared to drive, Jones was asked if he recognised the player, but was not able to do so. Scott then told him who the player was, whereupon Jones said, "But you can't see his face from this distance."

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Rain Stops Tennis Championship

FOR FIRST TIME THIS YEAR

For the first time since the tournament started nearly three weeks ago, rain yesterday prevented any matches from being played in the open tennis championships at the Cricket Club.

The curtailment, however, was distinctly unfortunate as it has affected the scheduled programme in the open doubles which the organisers are hoping to conclude on Thursday next.

Prospects of the programme being resumed to-day are not at all happy. Rain this morning has left the court very heavy and if there is any further rain it will be impossible for Tait Wai-pui and Ho Ka-lau to play off their match.

Another game which would be affected to-day is the third round singles between E. C. Fincher and Lee Wai-long. The winner of this entry the quarter-finals and meets S. A. Tumlin, most serious challenger for the title.

The stand court is already fully booked for next week, but if no play is possible to-day, the schedule will have to be revised, and it is possible the open doubles cannot be sufficiently advanced before Captain Manners leaves the Colony on Friday.

C.R.C. "AT HOME" TO-MORROW

Exhibition Tennis Arranged

With arrangements complete for a very entertaining afternoon, all that the Chinese Recreation Club now require for their annual "At Home" to-morrow is fine weather. Lady Southern will be present to present the Tennis League trophies won by the club and the prizes won by competitors in the club tournaments.

The programme starts with an exhibition mixed doubles match between L. Goldman and Miss Hancock (holders of the Mixed Doubles Championship of the Colony) and Tait Wai-pui (Singles Champion) and Mrs. J. P. Kayil (Ladies' Champion). This is at 3.30 and it will be followed by the prize distribution, after which tea and refreshments will be served.

The C.R.C. have again issued a large number of invitations and it is to be hoped that as many as possible will attend this function which is always of a most pleasant nature.

MANGIN WINNER OF TENNIS TITLE

Indoor Championship for Third Time

New York, Mar. 17. Gregory Mangin defeated Berkeley Bell of New York in the final round of the Men's National Indoor Tennis Tournament yesterday to regain the title which he had held during 1932 and 1933 but lost to Lester Stoecken of California, last year.

It took five sets, played before a packed gallery at the Seventh Regiment Courts, for the New Jersey player to defeat his determined rival, and right up until the deciding point it was practically either one's match.

TO-MORROW'S RACING PROSPECTS DISCUSSED: GOOD ENTERTAINMENT PROMISED

SMALL FIELDS EXPECTED IN SOME OF THE EVENTS

(By "Captain Foster").

The second race meeting on Saturday promises to produce some close finishes, especially in the Empire Handicap if Herod is an absentee.

COMMONWEALTH HANDICAP

One and a quarter miles:—On his last running, The Tiger should go very close to winning this race, although he has to carry an additional 5 lbs, making 165 lb. in all. Jungle Jim was two lengths behind him in the Hongkong Handicap, "B" Division, carrying 166 lbs. He carries the same weight to-morrow and is therefore in receipt of 15 lbs from The Tiger. We should see an interesting race between them for premier honours, and I am inclined to support Jungle Jim for a win. Both should, I think, be placed. Mayflower and Don (if started here) appear to be the best of the other entries. I cannot see an "outsider" scoring.

UNION PLATE

Six Furlongs:—In the Tytam Handicap, "A" Division, Propitious Time ran third to Invermark and Wadebridge, beaten by 2 lengths and 1/2 lengths in 2-04 3/5, and Double Chance could not have been more than a neck further away. On this race rests between them. On his past running, however, there would appear to be a decided "if" about Double Chance, and for this reason I suppose I should say that Propitious Time is to be preferred. I do so half-heartedly. Double Chance has speed and should be made up his mind to gallop he could win very easily. I watched him most carefully last time out and came to the conclusion that I could not say he was not a "tryer" because he finished strongly and was actually going faster than the ponies which were ahead of him.

The Deemster should, I fancy, be amongst the placed ponies. I thought Valley View unlucky to lose to Belmont Star in the "B" Division of the Tytam Handicap. The time taken for that race was 2-10 and I therefore fear that he may find himself outclassed when racing against the above mentioned three ponies.

HONGKONG BAY HANDICAP

One and a quarter miles:—Ribble is my fancy for this race although he is carrying 17 lbs more weight than he did on the last occasion. Weight I think will stop Hetman from winning. I prefer the chances of his stable companion, King's Bounty, of the two. Soldier of Germany is going well at the present time and may finish amongst the placed ponies.

ROSEHILL HANDICAP

One mile:—High Finance could not have been born under a lucky star. Since his arrival here he must have started over a dozen times, and his record to date is one win, and a second, stakes won amounting to \$760 only, and yet he has been given the honour of carrying top weight (169 lbs) to-morrow. I am afraid that I have not an exalted opinion of him and

therefore expect him to be among the "also ran" category after the race. Woodland Stag, I fear, has seen his best days. Mutiny Bay with 139 lbs strikes me as being most dangerous and I have a feeling that the race will be between her and Alacrity. For an upset we must look to two of our new importations, namely:—Goldsmith and Snowy River.

DOMINION HANDICAP

From the Two Mile post etc:—I understand that neither Seventeenth of September nor The Chetah will be starting in this race and I am told that their recognised jockey, Mr. Frost, will most probably be riding Wadebridge. Mrs. Pearce's pony will not, in consequence, find the opposition too formidable and should therefore win this race. Sci-Fa in, I think, a sound each way bet. Gold Picker and Invincible Knight should not be ignored. On his last running Invermark has a very good chance.

COLONIAL STAKES

One mile:—For this race I prefer the chances of Ythan, but I realize that Soldier of Victory will be his chief danger and may possibly beat him. In any case, I think we shall see an interesting race between these two animals. Either Ace of Aces or a "view" pony is my fancy for the third position.

EMPIRE HANDICAP

From Two Mile post etc:—There is a rumour that Herod may not start to-morrow. If he does he should win, but in his absence, I make the race very open. Rose-Queen has the best credentials of the other entrants but she will be hard put to finish ahead of Gold Coin, Harvest View, High Honour and King's Jubilee. The last named pony, on performances, may be considered her most dangerous rival. Mistake Bay would have been a serious contender but I gather he will be a non-starter.

MIRS BAY STAKES

From Two Mile post etc:—We should see a small field and a tame race here, as I cannot see any of the proposed starters extending King's Fancy. Llmelght is not class enough and I am doubtful whether he will start here as he has a much better chance of winning the Taiwan Bay Handicap. If Jungle Jim and Don elect to start in this race instead of in the Commonwealth Handicap, we might see a better race. I have a high regard for Jungle Jim and would be inclined to support him as an each-way proposition. He can go the distance and in a fast run race may win.

TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP

From Two Mile post etc:—Iron Grey is expected to enter away with this event. Llmelght, if started here, will be my choice. We cannot, however, overlook Great Hall, Philanderer and Solar Star. We should see a good race.

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BRITISH AND U.S. GOLFERS

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Braid, and Herd, and, as a consequence, has developed an old-fashioned style. Take these five men and add Duncan and Jack White, and you have seven absolutely different styles of golf. The British captain blames much of our indifference to golf on erroneous pictures of Vardon, showing him at the finish of the swing with the club over the left shoulder.

"Vardon did not finish that way," Scott declares. "His swing was extremely upright, and he finished with the club straight up in the air—a quarter follow-through as it is called in America. Then he dropped the club over his shoulder as a sort of afterthought. I have seen many good golfers attempt to adapt the Vardon swing to a finish over the shoulder; it can't be done."

However, Scott believes that Englishmen are gradually turning to more modern playing methods. American victories in British championships being largely responsible. Among the younger professionals there are, says Scott, many fine swingers, Cotton and Padgham being typical examples. Despite Cotton's victory in the open, Scott rates Padgham higher.

"The greatest golfer of all," Scott adds, "is Bobby Jones, his Grand Slam—the four open championships in one year—being the greatest individual feat. Vardon was the better shot-maker, but he lacked the conclusiveness of Jones. Had Vardon been an amateur he would, I think, have run up the greatest string of victories in history."

CONCENTRATING ON PUTTING

Scott, who was persuaded to say something about himself, said he won

the British championship two years ago, at the age of fifty-five, because he had just learned to putt. Having aged in the wood, so to speak, he decided, therefore, that if there were any hope of keeping his score below the century mark, he must concentrate on and improve his putting.

"I found that by standing closer to the ball and swinging in true pendulum fashion I obtained much better results. Anyhow, it won the title for me, together with a start at practice two months earlier than usual. But now I am getting old. And I would not like to be non-playing captain of the Walker Cup team of 1936." In spite of his protestations at being too old I think we shall see this modest, safely golfer, competing in this year's championship at Lytham and St. Anne. The tour in Australia, during which the members of the team scarcely had a moment's respite from playing, was conclusive evidence of Scott's physical fitness.

Winner of the Manila City Cup (Ladies) and former prominent player in Los Angeles and Southern California, Helen Marlowe arrived in Shanghai from Manila in the President McKinley, to await her husband, Ensign W. J. Dimitrijevic.

Comdr. H. A. Packer, executive officer of H.M.S. Kent and a well-known lawn tennis player in Hong Kong, visited the Siam Club, Bangkok, and played a match with the Singles Champion, Maung Roeng, recently. The champion lost the first set 7-5, but won the second 6-1 and the third 6-0.

TENSE SCENES AT SOCCER MATCH

Germans Sing National Song in Paris

Paris, March 17.

The tense situation which has developed between France and Germany following the Reich's avowed intention to re-arm, in open violation of the Treaty of Versailles, was unmistakably indicated when the two countries met in an Association football match here to-day.

Germany beat France by three goals to one, much to the disappointment of the crowd of 45,000, nearly all of whom were supporters of the home team. The spectators listened in rigid silence while the Germans sang "Deutschland Ueber Alles" and then responded enthusiastically with the stirring strains of the "Marseillaise."

PERRY RUMOURS

Tennis Champion Again In the News

The possibility of Fred Perry turning professional in the immediate future is again before the public eye. To-day, Bill O'Brien the promoter of the now famous Tilden tennis circus reiterated his expectation that Perry, England's No. 1 player and present holder of the Wimbledon title, would turn professional within a few days. —United Press.

A PROBLEM IN RUGBY

THE "BENT PASS" AT CARDIFF

WINDY POINT FOR LEGISLATORS

By Clem Lewis

Practically all Rugby followers are fond of discussing knotty points of law in our great game. Here is one that arose from a recent contest between Cardiff and Newport.

Harry Rees, a Cardiff forward, threw out a long pass to his wing, Reardon, who was standing behind him. There is no question about the pass being properly delivered, for Rees threw it backwards. After the pass had travelled some yards, and whilst still in the air, the wind caught it and carried it definitely forward, in front of Rees and Reardon.

He ran forward to rather the ball, overran it, but getting back pushed it up and sent it along to Brown, a centre, who scored a try.

THE POINT AT ISSUE

That this was the only case of the game, and so decided the issue, adds plausibility to this most interesting problem.

The point at issue is was the pass a forward pass or not, and, on point of law, did Newport suffer an injustice? For the sake of lucidity I append the following diagram:

The definition of a throw-forward in our first test, which reads: "A throw-forward occurs when the ball is propelled by the hand or arm of a player in the direction of his opponent's dead ball line."

It is not like a lawyer-like attitude when interpreting the law in Rugby football, preferring to interpret them by that unwritten law which we call the spirit of the game.

Even lawyer-like, however, I am inclined to rule that it was not a forward pass, according to the letter of the law. Rees himself did not propel the ball by hand or arm towards his opponent's dead ball line, for, you observe, his pass was clearly delivered backwards to the expectant Reardon.

The wind is no human agency, and the pranks it plays in, in golfing parlance, a rub of the green.

WHAT THEY FORGOT

Newport supporters claimed that if you allow the pass delivered by Rees to be a correct one someone standing in front of Rees could take that "bent" pass and carry on with the attack. But they forgot that under such a set of conditions the Cardiff player who accepted the "bent" pass would be standing offside when the pass was given, and so ruled out under the law regarding offside.

So far in international Rugby this season we have had two referees, Haslett of Ireland, and Allen of Scotland. It is no exaggeration to say that in attitude towards, and interpretation of, the laws of the game as laid down by the International Board, they are poles apart.

The Irishman has adopted a kind of happy-go-lucky attitude, particularly regarding laws pertaining to the scrum—a desire to get on with the game.

The Scotsman, on the other hand, has been a stickler for the laws in their entirety, and has been dubbed by someone as the "penalty-golf king."

AN EARNEST PRAYER

Though the national qualities of these two referees have perhaps played their part, it is not a full answer to their divergencies in execution. That the laws are so loosely worded is partly responsible, and that the scrum laws are so intricate and, maybe, inefficient, also plays a big part.

Many Rugby men are praying for a simple universal law, particularly a straightforward statement of what is forward and cannot do with his feet in a scrum.

The International Board would be well advised to aim at far greater simplicity forgetting all their previous efforts, which forced on referees the impossible task of watching a dozen feet in a split second.

Welshmen are keenly awaiting the appointment of the referee for their final game with Wales, for even between a Scotsman's and an Englishman's interpretation there is sufficient difference to change the fortune of a game.

CHAMPIONS V. REST CRICKET; A DISCOURTEOUS ACT

Club Captains Not Even Considered

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to get the runs—a difficult but not impossible task.

But the Rest bowled very well and fielded excellently except in the slips—and thwarted them. There seem to be two views of the game—one that the Club were very lucky to escape defeat, and the other that the Club only got into difficulties when they started to go for the runs after a slow start. It is only fair to the earlier batsmen to say that some of the bowling was the quick, just short of a length type which is very hard to get away.

After Frank Pereira had bowled Mitchell in the first over, Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce played stubborn cricket, the two were lucky in the slips. T. E. Penrice played an excellent knock while Hayward, with the help of a few jammy ones on the leg side from Mudar got a quick 30 and was only out to one which kept very low and turned.

A GREAT CATCH

Hill-Woods' fogging knock was excellent, but A. F. Pereira took an excellent catch in the deep off first ball when he too tried to force the game.

Duckitt played well and with Dunkley saved the game when hope of victory had gone.

I am told, by the way, (I trust it was not a leg-pull) that Hayward, fielding long off, raced 20 yards to the on with the grace and speed of a young gazelle to take a very fine catch!

THE ARMY WIN

But for Garthwaite the Army might have come rather a cropper last Saturday as Bonavin, who is dead out of form, after having been in quite a good time played a leg shot so early at a bat one from Perry that, when his bat had come to rest, the ball bounced gently on to and Wood managed to get across to take a catch that was simple once he got to it!

Dawson soon went but then there was a stand. In Hamilton's third over Garthwaite should have been out twice as he gave a chance to deep mid-wicket, and skied one a bit, which the bowler could have got to easily enough had he seen it; as it was it was right into the sun.

Colledge did not get much of the bowling but stopped while Garthwaite put on runs. Elvin got 23 entirely because the tired bowlers insisted on bowling outside his legs. He made no attempt whatever to score off anything anywhere near straight.

A BAD START

After the Army had paid the Civil Service the compliment of going on to 173 for six, the Civil Service made a wretched start by losing Barrow to the second ball of the innings, a break back from Ballard.

I gather the new opening pair—Perry and Barrow—have proved fairly successful, but I gravely doubt the wisdom of putting Tubby Wood in first wicket. He is definitely a forcing bat, whose best defence is attack, and should at least be after Sayer and Richardson. He had eight only when he was beautifully caught by Garthwaite on the boundary at long on.

Perry and Sayer went along merrily after Richardson had played too early for one of Elvin's and things looked well for the Civil Service until Perry went down the pitch and was stumped.

The Civil Service batsmen played free cricket, and Baker hit well. Sayer lifted his back foot when seemingly well set, and later on Garthwaite brought off another nice catch to dismiss Baker. After that, all was soon over.

Congratulations to the Army on being runners up.

K.C.C. LOSE

I had not realized that Teddy

FOOTBALL FIXTURES

Curtailed Programme

For Week-End

There is to be but a curtailed programme of league football matches over the week-end in Hong Kong. On Sunday the Army are meeting Ching in the Kowloon Charity Cup Competition.

The following is the official week-end programme as issued by the Hong Kong Football Association:

TO-MORROW

First Division

(Kick Off at 3 p.m.)
St. Joseph's v. Chinese Athletic (Caroline Hill). Referee: J. H. Lawrence.

Second Division

(Kick Off at 3 p.m.)
Chinese Athletic v. University (Club Ground). Referee: Ip Kau-ko.

SUNDAY

Kowloon Cup

(Kick Off at 4 p.m.)
China v. The Army (Navy Ground, Causeway Bay). Referee: G. Shobbrook; Linesmen: Sgt. Major Chapman and R. M. Omar.

The case returns of the St. John Ambulance New Territories branches for February give a total of 5,062 new cases, with a grand total of 11,050, of which 145 were maternity cases. Vaccination is in progress at all centres, the demand for this being greater than for several years.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th March, 1935.

SELECTIONS TO FOLLOW

No. 1. QUEEN'S THEATRE STAKES

1. FORSAKING	GABLE CRAWFORD
2. ALL OTHERS	MONTGOMERY
3. HELL CAT	ANN SOTHERN
4. BROADWAY BILL	BAXTER-LOY
5. NIGHT IS YOUNG	NOVARRO-LAYE
6. DAVID COPPERFIELD	ALL STAR
7. SEQUOIA	JEAN PARKER
8. PRINTED VEIL	GARBO
9. BEHIND MY WIFE	SYLVIA SIDNEY

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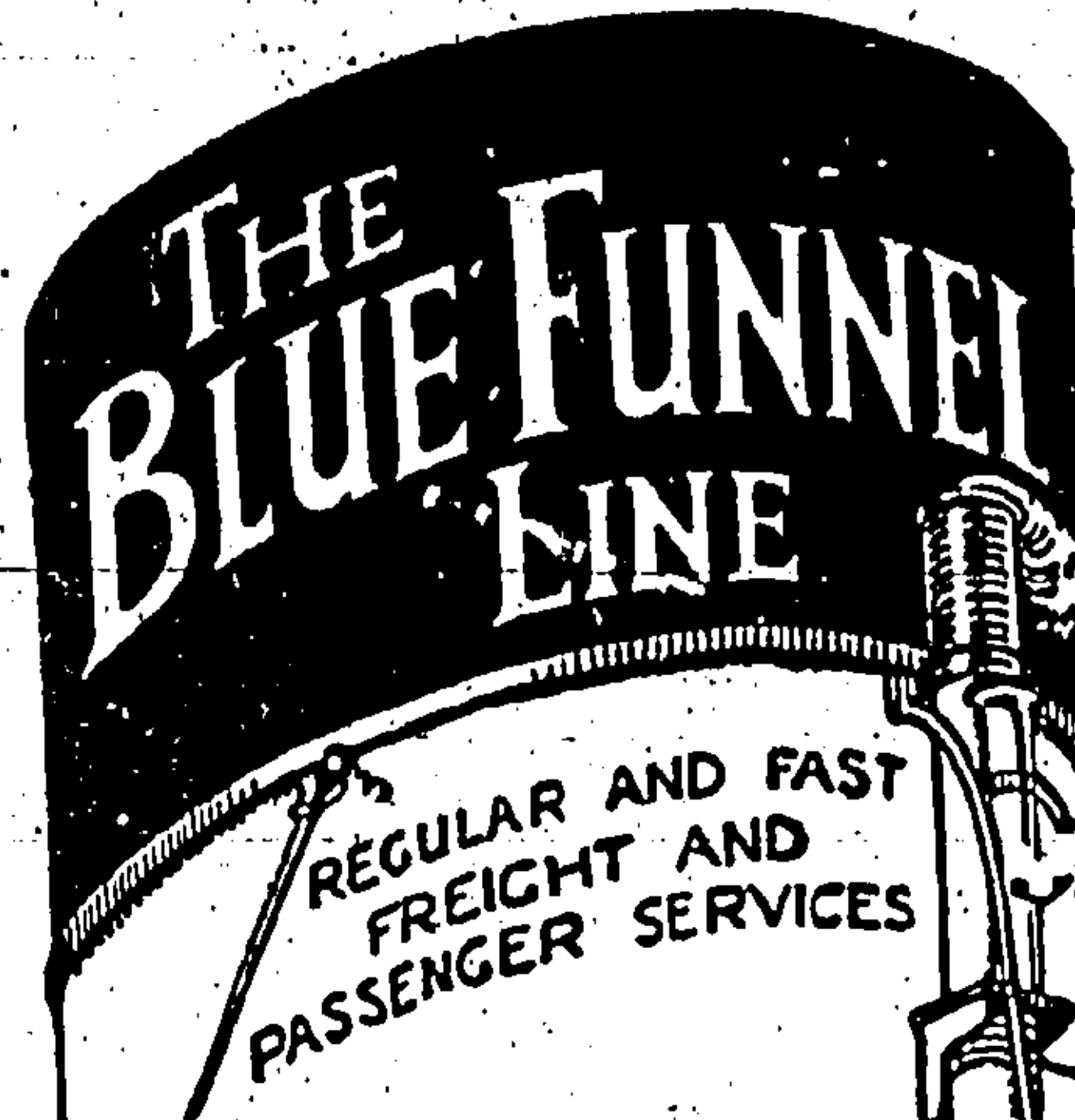
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Carideo again called a formation similar to the O'Brien pass play. Johnny cut through the Army secondary, but instead of passing to O'Brien, Schwartz followed him through Army's left tackle and dashed 54 yards for a counter. Carideo kicked the point that won the game, 7-6.





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SERIAL STORY

SILKEN SPINDLES

by Laura Lu Brookman

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

GALE HENDERSON, pretty and 23, was in a silk mill, and he was a

father.

STEVE MEYERS who also works in the

mill asks Gale to marry him. She promises

to give him an answer in a few days.

Gale goes stalling, breaks through the ice

and is rescued by BRIAN WESTMORE

whose father, now dead, built the mill.

Gale goes on an errand for a neighbour

MRS. O'CONNOR, who takes her into the

country. It is a stormy night and she

misses the return bus.

CHAPTER XXII

The coupe came to a stop and the

door opened. A man's voice called,

"Want a ride east? Be glad to take

you."

Gale stepped forward. She couldn't

stand there in the sleet and cold for

four hours; that was certain. She

tried to see the man in the car but

his face was in darkness, she said,

"I do want to get home," she said.

"I missed the bus."

"Yes, I saw the driver pull away

and leave you. That was a mean

trick. Say—"All at once the man

was out of the car, coming toward

her. "Why, Gale Henderson!" he

exclaimed. "I didn't know it was

you! What in the world are you do-

ing here?"

Gale looked up at Brian Westmore.

She hoped he would think it was the

cold that made her lips tremble as

they did. She said, "I didn't re-

cognize you either."

"But you mustn't stand here shiver-

ing. Here—get into the car." He

helped her into the coupe, and a

moment later was beside her. "Say,

I'm glad I came along just when I

did," he went on. "It's a rotten after-

noon—you shouldn't be out in it."

Gale smiled. "Believe it or not,

mister," she said, "I was waiting for a

bus—and I'd have had quite a wait,

too. The next one isn't due until

8.30."

He said, concerned, "You're cold,

aren't you? Take my coat." "Oh, no,"

she shook her head. "Oh, no," she

said, "I'm warm now. Really I am!"

Tell me, do you always go around

rescuing maidens in distress? I be-

lieve this is the second time you've

saved me from an icy death."

Brian laughed. "As a career," he

said, "I can't think of anything I'd

like better than rescuing maidens in

distress. Would you give me a letter

of recommendation or testimonial?"

"I certainly would. Any time you

want it."

They drove in silence for a few mo-

ments. Then Brian asked, "Have you

given up skating? I've been out once

or twice and looked for you but I

didn't see you."

"I've been busy," Gale told him.

"Really? Say, that's the first word

of encouragement I've had. That-

cher and everybody else I've talked

to has had some criticism. They say

Brian isn't practical. Well, if it

isn't, there must be some way to make

it practical. I think a man who's

worked in the mill—15 or 20 years—

ought to have some feeling of security.

He ought to have something to show

for his work beside just a bare liv-

ing. If he's been a good, faithful

employee it's no more than his right,

and the company should guarantee it.

"What does Mr. Thatcher say about

that?"

Gale said, "Yes. Last year there

wasn't any."

"That so? Last year—" The

words broke off as electric lights

corner. Brilliant. "Listen," Brian said,

glanced ahead. "I've got some sandwiches

and coffee. I'm starved and you wouldn't

keep a starving man from food, would

you?"

"No, I wouldn't want to do that."

Brian turned into the drive before

the lighted building. Wind howled

and the sleet stung her face as Gale

stepped from the car. Laughing,

running, they made for the doorway.

"The Blue Moon Barbecue,"

long, low structure with a counter

running the length of the room. Its

surface was polished and scrupulous-

ly clean. Brian and Gale were the

only customers. They sat on high

stools before the counter and a waiter

in a white coat and cap brought them

steaming cups of coffee and thick,

hot sandwiches.

"Mustard?" the youth behind the

counter asked.

"No—no mustard," Gale told him.

The sandwiches were appetizing,

the coffee as flavoured as it was

fragrant. The warm, brightly-lighted

room, after the storm outside, seemed

a haven of comfort.

"Going to be a bad night," the boy

behind the counter volunteered. "Got

far to go?"

"Not far," Brian told him.

"Well, you're lucky."

The youth moved toward the op-

posite end of the counter and set to

work once more on the crossword

puzzle he had abandoned.

Gale said, "I didn't know I was

hungry but I certainly must have

been."

"Good!" Brian set down his cup.

"This place is all right. I've stopped

here before."

"You know you seem to have a

way of disappearing into thin air.

I was beginning to think I'd never see

you again."

"I've been busy," Gale said for the

second time.

"Wish I could say as much."

His tone made the girl turn to look

at him. "Why?" she said. "Is any-

thing the matter?"

"Oh, no," he guessed. "Only things

aren't working out the way I thought

they would. Maybe it's my fault."

He frowned. "I wish you'd tell me

something."

"What?"

He told her about the pension plan

he had worked out and after he had

finished asked, "What do you think

of it? Would the men and women at

the mill like it?"

"I'm sure they would. I think it's

wonderful."

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ing. If he's been a good, faithful

employee it's no more than his right,

and the company should guarantee it.

seems to think the idea is all right,

but it wouldn't work out. I don't

know why it wouldn't, though."

For half an hour they discussed

details of Brian's project. Brian

argued eagerly, enthusiastically. Now

and then the girl interrupted with a

question or suggestion. The coffee on

the counter before them cooled. The

youth in the white coat gave up his

cross-word puzzle, half-finished, and

buried himself in a magazine.

Suddenly Gale caught sight of the

clock on the wall. "Oh," she said,

"It's almost 5.30! I mustn't stay

any longer. I had no idea it was

so late."

"We'll go," Brian agreed, "as soon

as we have some hot coffee."

Five minutes later they were on

the road again. The sleet had

stopped, but the road was crusted

with ice. Wind whipped about the

car, its whining voice rising now and

then, shrill and high-pitched.

Brian said, "Can't make much speed

on a road like this. We'll have to go

slowly."

They went slowly. Presently Brian

was talking again about the things he

hoped to do at the mill. Workers

should be sure of employment, with no

danger of sudden dismissal. They

should have protection against hard

times, brought on by illness. As the

mill grew and expanded there should

be an adjustment of wages so that the

men and women who actually did the

